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PC told to resign for leaking data

A police constable who leaked information on private individuals stored on a police computer to a private investigator was yesterday required to resign from the Thames Valley force. Another constable in the same force has retired on health grounds but would otherwise have faced disciplinary charges for a similar offence.

Botha–Kaunda useful summit

Useful was the official cautious description ofthe exchange of views between Mr P W Botha, the South African Prime Minister and President Kaunda of Zambia in a caravan straddling the Republic's border with Botswana. Page 5

Statesman staff accept editor

Staff at the *New Statesman* accepted Mr Hugh Stephenson, former editor of *The Times* Business News, as their new editor after a series of meetings. Mr Stephenson said he had accepted the editorship in principle, subject to detailed agreement over terms. Profile, page 2

BNOC plans to expand abroad

The state-owned British National Oil Corporation, which yesterday reported record annual pretax profits of £438m, is planning to expand overseas, partly in response to North Sea oil taxes Page 15

Prince receives freedom of town



The Prince of Wales, in full uniform as Colonel of the Welsh Guards, when he received the freedom of Carmarthen on behalf of his regiment

Iranians launch second attack

Iran claims to have followed recent Gulf War victories with advances on the southern front and the capture of 1,000 Iraqi prisoners. The Iraqis say they have counter-attacked Page 5

Villa fined for crowd trouble

Aston Villa, the European Cup finalists, were fined £14,500 and ordered to play their next home European tie behind closed doors as a result of crowd disturbances during their semi-final match against Anderlecht in Brussels Page 20

Hongkong hint

China's newly-drafted constitution, which allows for special administrative regions, may provide an indication of what will happen to Hongkong when Britains lease of the colony expires in 1997 Page 6

US imposes economic and military curbs on Argentina

● The United States came down firmly on Britain's side in the Falklands crisis yesterday. Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, announced limited military and economic sanctions against Argentina.

● Señor Costa Mndez, the Argentine Foreign Minister, said his country was ready to continue peace efforts. But sovereignty was not negotiable.

● Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, will be going to Washington today or tomorrow to see Mr Haig and he will go on to New York to see the United Nations Secretary General.

● In Buenos Aires, the Soviet Ambassador had a meeting with an Argentine Minister.

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, April 30

The United States finally came out in support of Britain in its dispute with Argentina over the Falkland Islands today, announcing limited military and economic sanctions against Argentina and its willingness to supply *materiel* support to British forces.

A statement made by Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, at a hastily-arranged press conference this morning, made it clear that the United States had decided to end its role of "honest broker" because of Argentine's failure to accept the latest American settlement proposals. Mr Haig said that the South Atlantic crisis was about to enter a "new and dangerous phase in which large-scale military action is likely."

Although today's announcement marked the end of his three-week long mediation effort, Mr Haig emphasized that the Reagan Administration remained ready to assist Britain and Argentina in finding "an early and fair settlement".

The decision to side openly with Britain was clearly designed to put maximum pressure on the military junta in Buenos Aires to reconsider the American peace plan before committing itself to a war with Britain.

Mr Haig emphasized in his statement that the United States efforf all along had been to restore peace in the South Atlantic through the implementation of Security Council Resolution 502, which calls for an end to hostilities, an Argintine withdrawal and a diplomatic settlement to the fundamental dispute about the islands' sovereignty.

The sanctions announced by the United States were: Suspension of all military exports to Argentina; the *withholding* of certification of Argentina's eligibility for military sales; the suspension of new export-import bank credit guarantees; and the suspenion of commodity credit guarantees.

The American measures are in fact largely symbolic and fall wellshort of the trade and economic sanctions adopted by Britain's partners in the European Community.

There have been no military exports to Argentina since the Carter Administration placed an embargo on military supplies in 1979 because of human rights violations by the military regime.

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Although Congress last year approved an Administration request for the embargo to be lifted, this was done on condition that President Reagan certified that Argentina was making progress in the field of human rights. That certification has not yet been issued.

At the end of March the Export-Import Bank had made loan commitments to Argentina amounting to $1,200m (about £660m) of which $700m has yet to be disbursed. This includes $550m announced last December for a huge hydro-electric project called the Yacreta dam.

Last month the bank made preliminary commitments totalling $230m for specific projects. Bank sources said this money would be frozen.

The sources said that money for projects or purchases which were already in the pipeline would be honoured.

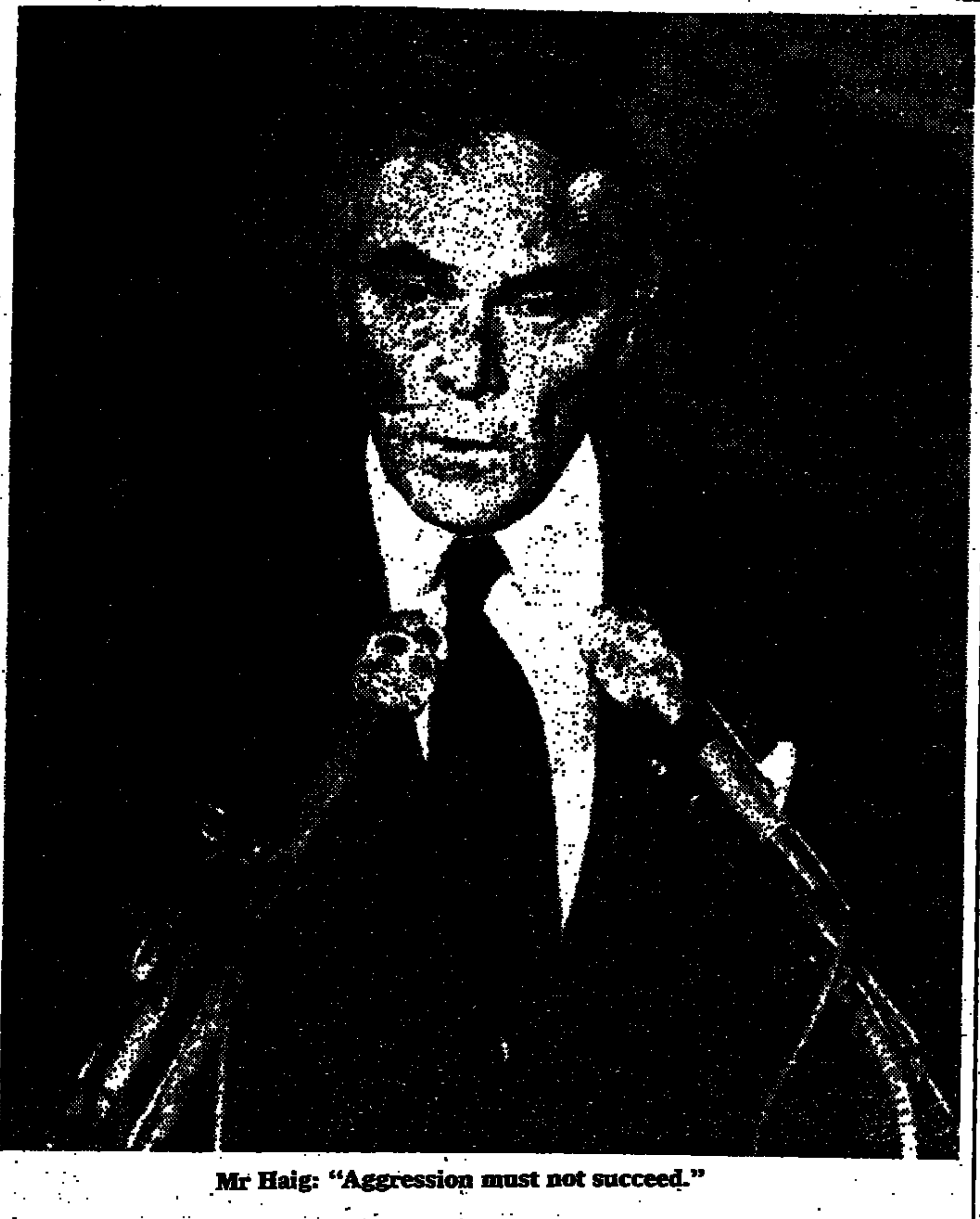
The Commodity Credit Corporation has an outstanding one year $2m line of credit to Argentina to finance the export of softwood lumber. This will no longer be available.

Observers noted that the United States did not place an embargo on trade with Argentina which is now running at $3,000m a year; nor did it attempt to interfere with American private bank loans to Argentina worth more than $8,000m.

In announcing that the United States would respond positively to requests for *materiel* support for British forces, Mr Haig emphasized that "There will of course be no direct United States military involvement".

In his statement, which was made following a meeting of the National Security Council attended by President Reagan, Mr Haig spelt out the main outlines of the American settlement proposals.

They involved: a cessation of hostilities; withdrawal of both Argentine and British forces; termination of sanctions against Argentina; establishment of a United States-United Kingdom-Argentine interim authority to maintain the agreement; continuation of the traditional local administration with Argentine participation; procedurtes for encouraing cooperation in the development of the island; and a framework for negotiating a final settlement taking into account the interests of both sides and the wishes of the inhabitants.



Mr Haig: "Aggression must not succeed."

Costa Méndez refuses to concede sovereignty

From Zoriana Pysariwsky, New York, April 30

Señor Nicanor Costa Méndez, the Argentine Foreign Ministyer, today said his Government was ready to continue to take part in efforts aimed at a peaceful resolution of the Falkland Islands conflict, but that the issue of Argentine sovereignty over the islands, the main sticking point for both sides, was not negotiable.

He made the remarks to reporters immediately following a half-hour meeting with the United Nations Secretary General, Señor Javier Peerez de Cuellar. Señor Costa Méndez said: "We are ready to discuss every aspect of the problem, except Argentine sovereignty over the islands."

On the sanctions announced today by Mr Alexander Haig, the United States Seecretary of State, against Argentina and the decision to side with Britain in the dispute, Senor Costa Méndez said he would have to study the statement.

Despite the expectation that a military clash was imminent with the breakdown of the peace initiative undertaken by Mr Haig, Señor Costa Méndez said it was up to Mr Haig to characterize the mission as a failure. "I do not see any problem in the intervention of Mr Haig and the United Nations towards a peaceful settlement of the conflict."

The Argentine Government had not rejected the latest proposals put foward by Mr Haig. "We have made observations, but that does not mean that we have rejected the plan."

There had been speculation that Argentina, with the American shift toward Britain, would look towards the United Nations to defuse the crisis, but Argentine sources said Señor Costa Mendez had not requested mediation from the Secretary General, at least for the time being.

He had earlier met the President of the Security Council, Mr Kamanda Wa Kamanda, but did not request a meeting of the council. The general feeling that the United Nations would not yet take on an active role in the crisis was underscored by plans for Señor Costa Mendez to fly home to Buenos Aires later today.

☐ Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, reacted with great scepticism to reports that seör Costa Méndez had announced his country's willingness to accept the Secruity Council Resolution 502 (to withdraw from the islands) "in its entirety" (Our Foreign Staff writes).

The Foreign Secretary said: "It's difficult to know what weight to attach to it. They have been totally reluctant to withdraw. They have been building up their forces all the time"... One does not know what validity to put on it. It seems to me that this step must have quite a lot of verification..."

Mr Pym added that during the last weeks of negotiations it had been very difficult to know who one was dealing with on the Argintine side, whether General Galtieri, Señor Costa Méndez, or members of the Junta.

☐ *Madrid:* Señor Perez de Cuellar was quoted as saying he would not mediate in the crisis unless asked to by Britain and Argentina. (Reuter reports).

"I do not believe the Security Council will decide to entrust the Secretary with a negotiation. All this is very dificuylt without the parties' agreement,"

Britain wins farming round

From Ian Murray Luxembourg, April 30

President Mitterrand of France and Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West Germany Chancellor last night led a behind-the-scenes attempt to isolate Britian from its EEC partners during dour farm price negotiations here.

Had the ploy succeede it would have put Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, at a severe bargaining disadvantage in the next round of negotiations on Britain's contribution to the EEC budget, which are expected to take place in the Ardennes next weekend.

As it was Mr Alick Buchana-Smith, a Minister of State at the Agriculture Minstry, who scarcely left the negotiating table during the 24 and a half hours of discussion, was able to emerge at the end and say: "We are not isolated. We have never been isolated in the whole of these negotiations."

This means that it is still impossible for Britain's partners to point an accusing finger and to claim tha it is deliberately blocking a farm price settlement in order to blackmail the Community into agreeing a large rebate in its contribution to the EEC budget.

A broad agreement was, neverthe less, reached for a record £840m increase in agricultural spending which will add mearly 11 per cent to the Community's farm budget.

Estimates show this would add about 1.2 points to the British retail food index.

Despite the bags under his eyes and the stubble in his cheeks, Mr Buchanan-Smith had a ready smile on his lips at the end. He was particularly pleased at having led the move to introduce the new £67m scheme to help small dairy farmers which will not penalise larger producers. He was also pleased about progress in creating a new scheme to help to dry up Europe's wine lake.

He had pounded home yet again the fact that Britain cannot be expected to agree to any settlement until it knows the size of its budget contribution and so he tabled on the "excessive size of the price increases". He even had time to table reserves on projects for aubergines and apricots.

Most of all, he had carefully and a littl luckily avoided the yawning trap of isolation which had been dug for him. Greece placed a total reserve on the entire proposed package until it is offered special measures to deal with its inflation. Italy had reserves on the level of prices being proposed for wine bought in for distillation.

The telephone lines between Luxembourg and most of the European capitals had been buzzing all the previous evening, according

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Pym flying to talks with Haig and UN

By David Cross

Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, said last night he was extremely glad that the United Stated had now come down decisively on the side of Britain in the Falklands dispute.

"To have the world's most powerful state on our side must make Argentina see that agression cannot pay," he told a press conference at the Foreign Office.

Mr Pym said that he would be going to Washington today or tomorrow to review the new situation with Mr Haig to dicuss the next steps. He would then go on to New York to see the Secretary General of the United Nations. "We shall not abandon our efforts for a peaceful settlement," Mr Pym said. "But Argentina must withdraw, as the Security Council resolution demanded four weeks ago.

"Then we shall be entirely ready to mo on to the negotiations foreseen in the third point of the resolution. A conference or any other kind of negotiations can be considered."

Mr Pym said it had been the British Government's strategy all along to build up the economic, diplomatic and military pressures on Argentina. "Now, with the United States backing, I am more confident than ever that justice will prevail against Argentina's totally illegal aggression."

Argentina's rejection of Mr Haig's proposals for a negotiated settlement were a major change in the situation, he continued. "In deciding not to cooperate in negotiations for a peaceful settlement, the Argentines have confirmed their commitment to aggression in defiance of the United Nations."

In response to questions, Mr Pym made it clear that the British Government did not rule out military action during the coming days when he is in the United States. If the Argentines chose to send ships or aircraft into the 200-mile exclusion zone round the Falklands then Britain would respond, he said.

☐ Washington's decision to come off the fence and support Britains' position was greeted with relief by politicians of all parties last night. (Philip Webster writes).

The decision that Mr Pym should meet Señor Perez de Cuellar seemed certain last night to maintain the broad Commons unity over the Government's approach. Nothing less would have satisfied Mr Michael Foot and Mr Denis Healey, who have consistently argued for United Nations involvement if the Haig initative failed.

John Pridmore

Mr Pym last night: Timing of American support for Britain was about right.

Argentines aggressors —Reagan

Washington, April 30.—President Reagan today called Argentina an aggressor for seizing the Falkland Islands and said aggression must not be allowed to succeed.

He addressed a luncheon meeting of newspaper editors shortly after Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, announced military and economic sanctions against Argentina.

Mr Reagan said the United States had not received any request for assistance from Britain so far.

"What the Secretary (of State) was saying was that we must remember that the aggression was on the part of Argentina in this dispute over the sovereignty of that little ice-cold bunch of land down there..." he said.

"The principle that all of us must abide by is armed aggression of that kind must not be allowed to succeed". He said he still hoped there would be a diplomatic solution to the crisis before further military action took place. "We have gone as far as we can go" he said, referring to the mediation efforts of Mr Haig. "I know there are still discussions going on at the United Nations. I believe neither side wants violence."

He repeated Mr Haig's statement that the United States would not become directly involved militarily in the dispute — Reuter.

☐ Mr Haig's announcement of economic sanctions against Argentina drew quick praise from members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee (the Press Association reports).

Mr Harold Brown, the former Secretary of Defence, said the actions indicated that President Reagan had gone more than halfway.

Senator Claiborne Pell, the ranking Democrat on the committee, said he had assured Mr Walter Stoessel, Under-Secretary of State, over the telephone that he supported the action taken and that he believed the majority of his colleagues did.

Senator Charles Percy said that he thought the Administration's action effectively reflected the sentiment of a resolution adopted by the Senate last night by a 79-1 vote calling for the United States to take steps to help Britain.

Russian Ambassador seeks to fill vacuum

Buenos Aires, April 30.—The Soviet Ambassador to Argentina went to see Señor Enrique Ros, the Deputy Foreign Minister, within minutes of the announcement that President Reagan had ended United States mediation in the Falklands dispute, and was siding with Britain.

The Foreign Ministry reported that Mr Sergei Striganov was seeing Señor Ros, but the subject of the meeting was not disclosed, and no further details were given.

The Argentine Government was "stupefied" by the announcement in Washington of sanctions against Argentina and support for Britain, according to a Foreign Ministry source.

Neither the official Argentine news agency, Telam, nor private agencies reported on the American announcements in the first two hours after their diffusion by international news agencies in Buenos Aires.—UPI & AP.

President Galtieri was expected throughout the day to issue a fresh communiqué to the people, but early tonight it still had not arrived (Christopher Thomas writes). The military committee, which includes the three-man junta and the top commanders of the armed forces, was meeting tonight to finalise war strategies.

The air of confusion finally prompted Telam to issue an authorized version of what Señor Costa Mndez, the Foreign Minister, had said in New York. It quoted him as saying that he had not had a chance to study the United States announcement of sanctions, that he was ready to comply with the povisions of Security Council resolution 502 in its entirety, but that the question of sovereignty over the Falklands was not negotiable.

He did not think the Peruvian nationality of the United Nations Secretary General was a hindrance to any intervention by the organization.

Telam said Señor Costa Mendez had insisted that Argentina would not stop negotiating, and that the Government wished for a peaceful solution. He had pointed out that the Government had not rejected the latest peace plan by the United States. Comments made in reference to the proposals did not constitute a rejection. He also said that he did not consider that there was any problem about Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, continuing his efforts to bring about a peaceful settlement.

In Buenos Aires the effective beginning of war was greeted with an air of gloom, and there was none of the jubilation that followed the Falklands invasions on April 2. Outwardly, the city appeared normal, but there seemed to be a sense of dismay that a conflict over two small islands had brought the world close to a third global war. There were no sizeable demonstrations on the streets tonight.

The imposition of a 200-mile combat zone around the Falklands was welcomed in all the newspaper editorials however, and the mood throughout the country is undoubtedly in favour of using force to maintain control of the islands.

A number of Argentine Pucará aircraft were shown on a state television, flying along what was purported to be the Falklands coast, looking for any advance party of British troops. The aircraft, heavily armed and propellor-driven, can fly extremely low and slowly, and were used with devastating effect during the anti-guerrilla campaigns of the mid-1970s.

State radio and television stepped up broadcasts of patriotic music,

Government and MSC may clash on youth scheme

By Donald Macintyre, Labour Correspondent

The Government is likely to risk direct conflict with the Manpower Services Commission and Mr David *Young, its new chairman*, by insisting that school-leavers who refuse a place on the new youth training scheme should be denied supplementery benefit.

Senior ministers are still extremely reluctant that *benefit* should be paid to those who do not take part in the £1,100m scheme, despite a unanimous recommendation by the commission to that effect.

The plan to withhold benefit from what the Government *hopes* will be a small minority of 16-year-olds when the scheme is fully operational at the end of 1983 was condemned as a form of "conscription" by the TUC and voluntary groups when it was disclosed in the Government's training White Paper at the end of last year.

The MSC is due to publish on Tuesday the report of a joint union and employer *task group which was unani*mously approved by the commission last week and which proposes significant changes to the scheme.

It argues that allowances to young people on the scheme should be increased to £28 from the planned level of £15 a week, and that the social security benefit should remain available for those who do not take part.

Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment, is thought to favour the proposal to increase the allowance.

But while no formal decision has yet been taken by the Cabinet, Mr Tebbit and his senior colleagues are believed to be adamant that those who decide not to take up new placecs on a scheme intended to guarantee every 16-year-old a year's basic industrial training cannot expect to be paid by the state.

Senior trade union leaders are delighted at what they see as their success in persuading both the Confederation of British Industry and the independant members of the commission to join forces with them in backing the task group report.

Mr Tebbit, is likely to to argue that the decision is on who is eligible for benifit, is one for the Department of Health and Social Security.

Well before the White Paper, several ministers, including Mr James Prior, Mr Tibbit's predecessor were already inclined to withold social security from young people refusing places on a training programme.

The Government is cautious about the task group's recommendation that the scheme should be extended to cover all 16-year olds in work as well as those without a job.

Although the Government *is committed to an integrated* training scheme in the long term some Ministers take the view that the huge task of organizing the scheme, which would provide 300,000 places by September, 1983, needs to be completed before further expansion can be envisaged.

Print dispute

Dismissal notices went out last night to 168 machine minders at the Eric Bemrose Printing Works, Livepool, over unofficial disruptive action in a pay dispute





"Times" past and present: Keyboard operators at work on (left) a Linotype and (right) a new visual display unit.

The Times bids farewell to old technology

By Alan Hamilton

This edition of *The Times* is *a milestone on a road* which, for this newspaper in the recent past, has been unduly beset with hardships, toils and snares. It is the last to be produced in any part by hot-metal composition, the last living relative of Johann Gutenberg's fifteenth-century brainchild, movable type.

From Monday the entire newspaper will be set by photocomposition and computer, a means known to all who work with it, whether or not they comprehend its mysteries, as New Technology. Its novelty, however, extends only to Fleet Street; elsewhere in the world it is a common and established way *of producing print*.

The Times must be circumspect in its claims. We are, to be exact, the first British *broadsheet national* newspaper to be set entirely by photocomposition. A similar process is already employed at the *Daily Mirror*.

But the *Mirror* is a paper of small pages, short stories, and pictures. *The Times* is a newspaper of words; a recent *34-page edition contained* 1,222,945 individual characters of type, and to set such a weight of words each night, mostly within the tight confines of a late afternoon and early evening, is a task which hovers permanently and dangerously close to the impossible.

It has been a revolution by stealth, if only because such profound changes must by *nature attract their share* of mischance, and a newspaper is a nakedly public place to make mistakes. The first editorial pages "went cold" on March 16, 1981, and the last — the front and the back — on March 29 this year, leaving *only* the classified *advertisements* set in metal. They appear by that means for the last time today.

To sell the benefits of new technology to the reader *is* difficult, for he is likely to notice only its failings, although he *may* observe a *cleaner* and crisper imprint of print on paper. Its advantages are chiefly economic; what was once the work of 375 men in the composing areas of *The Times* and *The Sunday Times* will become the work of 186, and the traditional demarcations of the print craft have already been reduced to allow one man to set type, make up pages and read proofs, three jobs whose boundaries in the past were not crossed.

Mr Bill Gillespie, managing director of Times Newspapers, said: "The introduction of new technology is a significant factor in the survival of *The Times*. For a newspaper like ours with a heavy set, there is no question that it is worthwhile."

But it could not have been undertakent at a worse time. Mr George Vowles, head printer of *The Times*, said: "We bought it in at a time of recession, with three million *people already unemployed*. We did it while the ownership of the newspaper was changing, and while the paper itself was being radically altered.

"We thought we would be able to gain our expertise on the *Times* supplements. But *then, with the change* of ownership, we had to go directly to converting the newspaper itself. We have done it in a year. I would not apologize to anyone; I think we have done a remarkable job."

Training printers to new skills has been like asking the master masons who raised Gothic cathedrals suddenly to work in concrete.The heat and noise of hot metal composing machines has given way to cool, clean computer keyboards in car*peted rooms*. The juggling of metal in a steel frame to make a page has been replaced by the cutting and pasting of paper on a drawing board.

The system was designed for direct input of copy by journalists and advertising staff, but that day is not yet with us. Who taps the keys is the central issue wherever the new technology is introduced.

Photocomposition is the third great revolution to upturn the printing craft since Gutenberg overtook the woodcut, and *The Times* has been in the forefront of them all.

In 1814 John Walter installed at *The Times* the first steam printing press, four times faster than his competitors' hand presses. He so fell out with his operatives that *The Times* remained a non-union shop for a century. In 1872 the newspaper was the first national daily to install a mechanical typesetting machine, which set type *twice as fast as a man picking* it letter by letter from a case. Not until 1890 did any other London daily risk such *progress*.

It is the Linotype, the *successor* to that first typesetting machine, which has been made redundant at *The Times*, and will become obsolete at *The Sunday times* when that newspaper, too, is converted.

Science report

Alligator males prefer it hot

By the Staff of "Nature"

Although for most species being male or female is determined genetically at fertilization, the sex of alligator offspring is not fixed until about two weeks after fertilization and the outcome is determined by the temperature of the egg during that period.

That is the conclusion of laboratory and field studies carried out by Dr Mark Ferguson from Queen's University, Belfast, and Dr Ted Joanen of the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge in Grand Chenier, Louisiana. They first demonstated experimentally that eggs kept at 30°C *or below all* hatched into females whereas those kept at 34°C or above all hatched into males. Between those two temperatures varying proportions of males and females hatched.

To see what bearing those dramatic results had on the wild population, the temperatures of many nests throughout the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge were carefully measured. Unlike birds, which carefully incubate their eggs to keep them at a constant temperature, alligators make large untidy nests of rotting vegetation which are abandoned after egg laying.

Dr Ferguson and Dr Joanen found that in nests at dry sites a temperature *of about 35°C was main*tained and all the hatchings that eventually emerged were males. In contrast, *the temperature* in the more numerous nests in very wet sites throughout the marsh was around 30°C and eggs from these nests produced only female hatchings.

To get an idea of the effects of temperature throughout the whole population of the refuge, the sex of 8,000 offspring from all types of nest, were recorded for four years. Overall five females emerged for every male, a ratio later compensated for by the fact that adult males mate with several famales in any breeding season.

Previous studies, largely in the laboratory, have shown that temperature determines sex in some other reptiles. Dr Ferguson and Dr Joanen speculate *that dinosaurs* were another group of reptiles with temperature-controlled sex. If so, that may *have been an important* element in their downfall.

The small increases in temperature thought to have occurred at the end of the Cretaceous period, when dinosaurs became extinct, may have had a profound and ultimately disastrous effect on the ratio between males and females.

Nature (vol 296, p 850), April 29, 1982.

New Sunday paper set to go

By a Staff Reporter

Britain's first new national Sunday newspaper since the launch of the *Sunday Telegraph* 21 years ago goes on *sale tomorrow. The Mail On Sunday* will attempt to capture what its proprietor, Lord Rothermere, has described as the middle ground between the haughty papers and the naughty papers.

Associated Newspapers, publishers of the *Daily Mail*, have not had a Sunday paper since the demise of their *Sunday Dispatch* in 1960. The new publication will help to spread the overheads of Associated's extensive Fleet Street printing plant, which have been borne entirely by the *Daily Mail* since th closure by Associated of the London *Evening News* in October 1980.

Mr Bernard Shrimsley, a former editor of *The Sun* and the *News of the World* who is now editor of *The Mail On Sunday*, said yesterday that his paper would be quite distinct from the weekday *Daily Mail*, but would follow that newspaper's traditional political oulook of independent Conservatism.

Mr Shrimsley has assembled a formidable team of writers. John Osborne will be the paper's television critic, *and other familiar names in* the first issue include Jilly Cooper, Brian Walden, Michael Parkinson and Sebastian Coe. Captain Mark Phillips has agreed to write occasionally on equestrianism. *The Mail On Sunday* will rely heavily on book serialisations, and tomorrow's issue will include the first instalment of the memoirs of Billie Jean King, the tennis player.

Associated has been seeking to launch a Sunday paper for at least four years, but *has only recently been abie* to find sufficient spare printing capacity. The end of the *Evening News*, and a change in the arrangements for producing the Mirror Group's *Sunday People*, which is printed on contract by Associated, have released the necessary plant at Associated's New Carmelite House in London.

For a 13-week trial period, extra copies of the new paper will also be printed in *Manchester, at the printing* plant jointly owned by Associated and *The Guardian*.

Present arrangements allow for a maximum print run of about two million copies, and Mr Shrimsley said yesterday that he expected half a million firm orders by the time the paper appeared.

Associated are hoping for an initial circulation of about 1.2 million, rising gradually to 1.6 million. Their principal target is the *Sunday Express*, now the only remaining middle-ground Sunday but with an aging readership and diminishing sales. The intention is that two-thirds of the new paper's readership should be in the ABC1 social categories.

Profits of Associated Newspapers, which are generated by oil and property as well as publishing, fell from £22.5m to £16.2m this year, the greatest drain being the *Daily Mail*, which lost an estimated £3m through having to carry *all the overheads* of its printing plant.

Children trick man out of £500

Two young children yesterday tricked a man aged 90 out of his life savings (Our Sheffield Correspondent writes).

A girl aged five and a boy aged 10 called at Mr Gilbert McKenzie's flat in Cavendish Row, Broomhall, Sheffield, offering to sell flowers.

Mr McKenzie, who is partially deaf and disabled, refused to buy any, but he allowed the girl to use his *lavatory. As he showed her* the way, the boy sneaked into the flat and stole £500 from Mr McKenzie's wallet.

Mr McKenzie, a retired engineering worker, said: "They were only young kids and you don't suspect they might do something like this to you."

Heritage hope

Conservationists have to salvage many of the features of Barlaston Hall, which was sold by the Wedgwood Pottery group for *£1 last* September. Save Britain's Heritage is hoping to convert the listed building near *Stone*, Staffordshire into four flats instead of the seven originally planned. Sophie Andreae, a spokesman, said the scheme would keep rooms intact. Original plaster and woodwork would be restored

Karpov leading

Anatoly Karpov was last night leading with 8½ points, in the 13th and final round of the Philips and Drew King's chess tournament at County Hall, London. Four of the seven games had been finished and Karpov was matched against Boris Spassky, former world champion.

Unions unite

The National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers merges with the Transport and General Workers' Union today. The Department of Employment's certification officer yesterday overruled last-minute objections to the merger.

Blast kills two

Two RAF men were killed in an explosion at the Royal Aircraft Establishment base at West Freugh near Stranraer, yesterday. They were among a team of four working on a bombing range.

Stephenson's 'Statesman'

More analytical approach expected

By David Nicholson-Lord

A more reflective, diverse and less overtly abrasive tone is expected in the pages of the *New Statesman* magazine with the appointment as editor of Mr Hugh Stephenson, former editor of *The Times Business News*.

Unlike Mr Bruce Page Mr Stephenson will not arrive at the magazine's offices in *Great Turnstile Street with a* reputation as a steamrollering investigaive journalist. His style, both personally and professionally is altogether cooler, more measured and more analytical.

Magazine staff who opposed his appointment after initial fears of a Social Democratic takeover may well find his style more to their liking than they imagine, however. Mr Stephenson is joining an organization which *sets* much store by participation and he is viewed *as a skilled harmonizer and a* firm egalitarian.

He said yesterday that he wanted to see a magazine containing "a large number of different elements because there are large numbers of *different people who buy it* for large numbers of reasons".

In fact his most pressing concern *will probably be* mounting losses and declining circulation, from 93,000 in 1965 to 37,500 last year, a *decline which continued* under Mr Page.

Mr Stephenson added: "It seems increasingly likely that we are going to get another Thatcher government in this country. Over the next five years the scene is going to be wide open for a serious journal of the left, especially since Fleet Street is moving to the right."

Mr Stephenson's background is discernibly elitist. He is the son of an ambassador, was educated at Winchester, where he was head *of school, and New College*, Oxford, where was a history exhibitioner and president of the union.

He did National Service as a naval officer, joined the diplomatic service and by 1968 was a second secretary in Bonn. He then made a surprising switch of career, joining *The Times* as economics correspondent *under* the auspices of Mr Peter Jay, his former contemporary at Winchester and Oxford, who *was then the paper's economics editor*.

He became business news editor in 1972, served on the Wilson committee on the City but left the paper last year after the changes in owner and editorship. Since then his career, ranging from the purchase of the magazine *History Today* to a leader-writing job on *The Guardian* newspaper, has assumed an indeterminate *look*.

Friends describe him as reserved, but eminently approachable, with a dry wit and a good sense of *humour*. His brand of socialism is said to be Croslandite, pragmatic and non-ideological.

Arts Council to organize public debates on policies

By Christopher Warman, Arts Correspondent

The Arts Council is to hold a series of public meetings around the country as part of its policy of greater openness about its activities and to encourage discussion of developments in the arts, it announced yesterday.

The meetings follow an initial pilot gathering in Newcastle upon Tyne last October, whicn attracted about 300 people. The first is to be held at Norwich on June 12, and recorded for BBC 4, and others will take place in Southampton (June 19), Leeds (July 17), Birmingham (September 4), Bristol (October 16), Nottingham and Manchester.

It is hoped the meetings will give opportunities for arts *organizations* and the public to question and comment, particularly about Arts Council funded activities.

The council is also to discuss with the regional arts associations the possibility of devolving more powers from the centre to the regions.

At its meeting this week, the council approved a recommendation that discussions should be held on the scope for further devolution in the next 5 to 10 years. The results of the discussions will be reported *to the council in October*.

The council recognizes that the relationship between the central funding bodies, local authorities and the regional associations have *had their imperfections, but* believes that for the foreseeable future it is better to improve the system rather than make fundamental changes.

Some of the funded bodies have expressed reservations about being dealt with by a regional association rather than the central council, and the council has decided not to dispense with the condition that a client must consent to devolution. The recommendation to dispense with it was contained in the *report of a Council working party, Towards a New Relationship*.

The report also recommended that *local* authorities should be encouraged to increase their direct funding of the arts.

No closed shop ballots likely for two years

By our Labour Correspondent

The Government appears certain to wait for two years after its new Employment Bill becomes *law before* enforcing the clause providing for workplace ballots on whether a closed shop should continue.

Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment, denied yesterday that the widely reported *speech* by Dr James McFarlane, director general of the Engineering Employers Federation, criticizing the Government's fresh curbs on the *closed shop* reflected a "major difference" between the EEF and the Government.

Dr McFarlane told a *Financial Times* industrial relations conference that "in general *we have no enthusiasm for* the 1982 Employment Bill's proposals for reviewing the closed shops" and added that the Government should defer until after the next general election, the provision for periodic reviews of existing closed shops.

At the same conference yesterday, Mr Tebbit went out of his way to point out that he had already made it plain "that I was minded to give one or two years after Royal Assent for proper preparation for ballots before I brought it into force".

Mr Tebbit added :"The healine about that should have been Small Disagreement with the EEF, Mr Tebbit claimed yesterday was over the federation's argument that employers should be legally empowered to lay off their employees in the event of industrial action by others.

Mrs Shirley Williams, SDP MP for Crosby told the conference tha her party had *yesterday put down amend*ments to the Em)ployment Bill, seeking individual secret ballots for national union officers.

☐ Mr Len Murray, General Secretary of the TUC said yesterday that unions would defend themselves against the 1982 Employment Bill (Tin Jones writes). He told the Welsh TUC Congress at Llandudno: "Tebbit's law has *been conceived in malice* and born outof hostility to the very idea of trade unionism".

Test-tube baby research questioned

By Nicholas Timmins

Some forms of research using the test-tube baby technique and some of the uses to which it could be put should be banned, Mr Ian Kennedy, reader in law at King's College London and the 1980 Reith lecturer, said yesterday.

A standing Government-appointed committee should be set up *to examine new* techniques made possible by medical science so that ethical issues could be tackled "before we are overtaken by events", he said.

Speaking at the National Association of Family Planning Doctors annual meeting in London, Mr Kennedy said *the over-riding consideration* with new techniques which affect fertility must be the interests *of the child*.

"Surrogate mothers" who agree to bear a child for another woman, using either *artificial insemination* or the test-tube baby technique, should be outlawed. Children so produced might be damaged by the consequences, he said. There were other ways for childless couples to acquire a child; adoption was one.

Tests on embryos created by *in vitro* fertilization, the test-tube baby technique, should also be banned where *they are created with the* potential for human life, only for the purposes of testing.

Mr Kennedy also expressed reservations about the frozen storage of human embryos *created* by the test-tube baby technique. Storage might damage the embryos, he said.

Agricultural advice for Third World

By John Young
Agriculture Correspondent

A new programme to persuade Third World countries to make more use of Britain's agricultural expertise was launched by the British Council yesterday.

The council's offices in 78 countries will supply information both on the availability of advisers, equipment and technical services for *local training and on* courses at British universities and other institutions.

Dr Tom Craig-Cameron, senior officer in charge of agricultural projects, emphasized that it was in no sense an aid programme. He main objectives were to promote British services on a commercial basis and to fill places in educational institutions in this country which had been *affected by* financial cuts.

Since many potential clients are from the world's *poorest nations*, it is hoped that much of the finance will come from agencies such as the World Bank, the Asian, African and Inter-American Development Banks and the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation.

Overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 28; Bahrain BD 0.650; Belgium B frs 40; Canada $2.50; Canaries Pes 125; Cyprus 550 mils; Denmark Dkr 7; Dubai Dir 7.00; Finland Mkk 7.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.50; Greece Dr 80; Holland Gl 3.25; Iran IR 135; Iraq LD 0.500; Irish Republic 30p; Italy L 1800; Jordan LD 0.425; Kuwait KD 0.500; Lebanon LL 4.00; Luxembourg Lf 33; Madeira Esc 75; Malta 30c; Morocco Dir 7; Norway Kr 7.50; Oman OR 0.700; Pakistan Rps 12; Portugal Esc 90; Qatar QR 7.50; Saudi Arabia SR 4.50; Singapore $5.00; Spain Pes 125; Sweden Skr 8.00; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Syria L55.50; Tunisia Din 0.600; USA $1.50; UAE Dir 7.00; Yugoslavia Din 50.

Solicitors to be struck off

The Solicitors' Disciplinary Tribunal in London yesterday ordered the names of three solicitors, Mr Geoffrey Myerson, Mr Nicholas John Barton Sykes-Balls and Mr Michael Treanor, to be struckoff and three others to be suspended from practice. All were given time to appeal.

Mr Myerson, of Cotfield House, Spratton, near Northampton was found to have used money held for clients for the purposes of other clients. His accounts had been "in a muddle" and a cheque had been dishonoured.

Mr Sykes-Balls, of Kingswear, south Devon, and Mr Treanor, of Sea Lane, Ferring, West Sussex, were both found guilty of using clients' money for their own purposes.

The suspended solicitors were Mr Royston John Garrett Philcox, of Stafford Road, Seaford, East Sussex, Mr Michael Rodford Sandiford, of York Place, Knaresborough, north Yorkshire, and Mr Robert Alexander Christoforides, of Lincolns Inn Fields, London.

Mr Philcox, found guilty of unbefitting conduct on five counts, was said to have a long history of sickness and was suspended from practice for three years. The order was suspended pending an appeal.

Mr Sandiford was ordered to be suspended for two years for failing to deal with a clients' affairs with reasonable expedition and not replying to correspondence, and Mr Christoforides was ordered *to be suspended* for one year for signing trustees' documents without authority.

Pope and archbishop to 'enthrone' gospels in Canterbury Cathedral

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Caterbury Gospels, said to have been given to St Augustine by Pope Gregory in the sixth century, are to be "enthroned" on the Chair of St Augustine by Pope John Paul II and the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, as the central symbolic act of the Pope's visit to Canterbury Cathedral next month.

The ceremonial placing of the gospels on the throne used by the Archbishops of Caterbury has been chosen as a symbol of the historic occasion for two reasons. It represents the original link between Caterbury and Rome—it was Gregory who commissioned Augustine to lead a mission to England—and also the supreme authority of scripture in the church. The latter symbol refers to one of the central issues sof the Reformation and subsequent Catholic-Protestant controversy, but which is now virtually resolved.

While the Roman Catholic church has moved away from the doctrine that church tradition sometimes took precedence over scripture, the Church of England has generally raised its estimation of the significance of tradition. Recent theological discussion between the churches found no conflict between the two positions.

Both the Pope and the Archbishop are to address the congregation, which will include members of the General Synod of the Church of England, primates of churches of the Anglican Communion, members of the Free Church Federal Council, and Roman Catholic leaders. It will be the first time a pope has delivered an address in an Anglican cathedral.

The Pope and the Archbishop will also make two acts of homage, one at the Martyrs' Chapel and one at the point where Thomas Becket was murdered. The entire congregation will also join in the recitation of baptismal vows and of the Apostles' Creed.

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Breakaway buoys to be banned

Metal buoys which are a hazard to ships and smaller boats when they break adrift from oil rigs in the North Sea are to be banned, the Department of Energy has announced. Some of the big steel canister buoys occasionally wash ashore on Shetland beaches. (Jonathan Wills writes).

The breakaway buoys drifting at sea are a hazard to North Sea fishermen and yacht skippers. Any small wooden vessel hitting one in the dark would have little chance of survival and they are difficult to detect by radar if there is a sea running.

The buoys are used to mark anchors on oil rigs and although the industry is getting better at recovering them, unmarked buoys are a problem for coastguards. The cost of recovery then has to be paid out of public funds.

Concern about the dangerous flotsam has led the Department of Energy to announce the ban on steel buoys for most purposes in the North Sea oilfields. As from May 1 next year, soft buoys will have to be used.

Prison officers sent for trial

Five prison officers facing charges of conspiracy to defraud were yesterday committed for trial by Liverpool magistrates. But another officer, Mr George Rimmer, of Heathfield Road, Southport, was dicharged.

The five are alleged to have overcharged prisoners in the canteen at Walton Prison, Liverpool, between April, 1979, and October, 1980.

They are: Peter Bayldon, of Allway Road, Fazakerley, Patrick Flynn, of Oakham Drive, Fazakerley, Michael Kelly, of Molyneux Road, Maghull, Walter Lonsdale, of Southport Road, Bootle, all of Liverpool, and David Tyndall, of Ashcroft Road, Formby, Merseyside.

Court order

Anthony William Brandford-Sackey, a student, aged 17, of Oak Tree Close, Leeds, was ordered to be detained during Her Majesty's pleasure at Leeds Crown Court yesterday for the murder of Mrs Mallika Dheerasinghe, aged 29, a cleaner at his former school.

Coach fined

Raymond Bunkell, aged 32, of Kempson Drive, Cornard, Sudbury, Suffolk, the coach of Colchester United Football Club was fined £200 by Hereford magistrates yesterday after pleading guilty to using insulting words and behaviour to Hereford United's officials during a match in March.

Army wife killed

Police launched a murder hunt yesterday after an army corporal's wife was found murdered. Mrs Susan Neil, aged 22, had been beaten and strangled when her husband found her in her bed at army married quarters in Willens Park, Aldershot, Hampshire.

Aid warning

Lord Justice Ormood criticized the legal aid authorities in the Court of Appleal yesterday for partly financing intractable disputes over children used as "footballs" between problem families and local authorities.

New on the air

Radio Cambridgeshire, the BBC's twenty-third local radio station, goes on the air today for 42 hours a week covering the county from studios in Cambridge and Peterborough.

Graves dispute

Funerals and cremations in Liverpool will be halted from next Tuesday if 140 gravediggers carry out their threat to strike in protest at city council plans to cut the wages bill by £50,000.

Police in web of corruption, informant says

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

A webb of alleged police corruption in which officers investigated crimes in which they had taken part, and in which one officer tipped off criminals about police surveillance and another passed on police documents to criminals was described, at the Central Criminal Court yesterday by an important informant.

Mr Michael Gervaise said that men connected with a burglary in Birmingham escaped arrest after being warned by the police. He added that some police officers belonged to the same Freemasons' lodge as people involved in the £3m silver bullion robbery in Essex in 1980.

Mr Gervaise, who admitted his part in the robbery and gave information, said two men who received the large reward given after most of the bullion was recovered, were friendly with a police officer who was himself friendly with a man still wanted for the robbery.

Giving evidence in a burglary case, Mr Gervaise has already told the court earlier this week that he believed a police inquiry was taking place into possible corruption.

Mr Gervaise, who has admitted crimes involving more than £6m and named 41 people to the police, was called as a prosecution witness in the case of Mr John Godwin, aged 40, of Hertfordshire, and Mr Brian Reader, aged 43, of Blackheath, south London, who have pleaded not guilty to burglary charges.

After he arrived in court earlier in the hearing Mr Gervaise was treated as a hostile witness by the prosecution. He said he made statements against Mr Godwin and Mr Reader because he was told to do so by the police.

Under cross-examination he said that he changed his mind because of fears that crimes in which the police had been involved would be revealed and his "supergrass' status would be affected.

On Wednesday, Mr Gervaise said a Detective Insp Derek Ramsey, of Scotland Yard's Robbery Squad had been involved in crimes with him. Yesterday, still under cross-examination, Mr Gervaise alleged that Mr Ramsey and two other officers had been involved in up to 10 crimes in the 1970s.

Mr Gervaise refused to say what role the officers had played. They had been involved with other criminals, and one a former police officer, he said.

The informant had falsely linked the two defendants to a burglary in Birmingham. Mr Gervaise said yesterday that two other men involved with planning the crime were warned that police were taking an interest in them.

He said £2,000 had been paid tothe policeman who gave the warning. Mr Gervaise said he would not reveal his name.

Mr Gervaise said defence solicitors had raised questions about a series of offences and he was asked by Det Chief Supt Dickson, head of the robbery squad, if anything untoward might come out.

Questions asked about letter

Mr Gervaise was asked about a letter he had received from Mr Michael Sewell, who is wanted by the police in connexion with the silver bullion robbery and an earlier offence, in which Mr Sewell referred to Mr Ramsey and documents. Earlier, Mr Gervaise said he thought the material would be passed to the two defendants.

Yesterday, Mr Gervaise said he passed on details of his links with Mr Ramsey to Mr Sewell to use because Mr. Ramsey was involved in the arrest of Mr. Sewell for a robbery at Lambeth Town Hall. Pointers to the relationship between the policeman and Mr Gervaise could be found in police records which could be supplied by another officer, Mr Gervaise said. But he would not name the officer.

Mr Timothy Cassel, for the prosecution, asked if he was not worried that Mr Sewell might use the evidence against him after Mr Gervaise had given information against Mr Sewell. Mr Gervaise said he had not been worried.

Cross-examined by Mr Stephen Leslie, for Mr Godwin, Mr Gervaise said he knew nothing about a burglary at Whetstone police station and declined to answer whether he knew anytheing about £25,000 in jewelry taken from the station.

Suresh Karadia



There is a surprise in store for the children, *The Times* of May 1, 1912 recorded, who go to Kensington Gardens to feed the ducks on the Serpentine this morning. Seventy years later, the statue of Peter Pan blowing on a pipe with fairies, mice and squirrels all around, may no longer be a surprise for youngsters, but it still proved an attraction for Daniel and Damian Todd, twins aged 3 years. The bronze figure was the work of Sir George Frampton and a May-day gift from Sir James Barrie.

Wife freed after killings

A mother who killed her two young daughters while depressed after her husband had left her walked free from court yesterday.

Mrs Mary Warner, aged 31, an infant teacher, of Tetbury Gardens, Nailsea, Avon, had admitted suffocating her daughters Victoria, aged six, and Joanne, aged four, with plastic bags after giving them tablets.

Placing her on probation for three years at Bristol Crown Court, Mr Justice Sheldon told her: "I have no doubt this is not a case for punishment, this is a case for help"

Mrs Warner had denied murdering her daughters but admitted their manslaughter by reason of diminished responsibility. The pleas were accepted by Mr Simon Tuckey, QC, for the prosecution.

Mr Tuckey said her husband, Mr Stephen Warner, a Bristol prison officer, left his wife shortly after last Christmas.

On New Year's Eve he told her he did not intend to return and that there was another woman. Mrs Warner committed the offences hours after their conversation Mr Tuckey said.

Inquest on fire victims told of wiring

Three elderly widows died in a fire at a Lancashire nursing home which, although registered for 12 residents, had 23 living there at the time, an inquest was told yesterday.

Experts found that the wrong wire had been used in the electrical system. The blaze was caused by repeated arcing and mechanical damage in the lighting circuit.

Mrs Mary Burns, a state registered nurse, said she was proprietor with her husband of the Northwood Nursing Home, in Blackburn, where Mrs Ada Barnes, aged 86, Mrs Margaret Foot, aged 93, and Mrs Charlotte Boerstal, aged 76, died on November 9 last year.

Mrs Burns told Mr George Graham, the coroner, that she had informed the area's social services department about the extra residents by telephone, although not by letter, whereupon an official had visited the home.

Mrs Mary Granger, an assistant at the home at the time, said when the fire alarm sounded, she tried four times to dial the fire brigade but could not get through. She called Miss Lynda Catterall, the matron on an internal line.

Miss Catterall said she helped to supervise the removal of residents to the ground floor. "There was a lot of shouting and screaming", she said.

She and others tried to get into the room where the fire had started but were driven back by smoke.

Mr Roy Burns said the eight-bedroomed building was completely rewired when he and his wife took it over in 1978. There were fire detectors in every room and fire alarms, although they were not directly linked to the fire station.

Mr. Joseph Wilson, the electrician who rewired the home, said he did not think there were faults in his work. But Mr Herbert Bamford, a forensic scientist, said copper wire had been used incorrectly.

Supt Frank Taylor said no police action would be taken against anyone in connextion with the deaths, although proceedings were being considered by Lancashire County Council in respect of the licence.

The coroner, recording verdicts of misadventure, said: "Three old ladies were kept in an attic room. To all intents and purposes they were shut away from the world, and bedfast."

Lords will take on 'sus' law cases

By Frances Gibb

The Metropolitan Police have won leave to appeal to the House of Lords over a High Court ruling that prosecutions they brought under the now defunct "sus" law, or section four of the Vagrancy Act, 1824, are illegal.

The police want to challenge a test ruling by the High Court in February, which affected more than 100 potential prosecutions throughout London where defendants had been charged before the Act was repealed last August.

Lord Justice Ackner and Mr Justice Woolf, sitting in the divisional court, held that Mr Eric Crowther, the stipendiary magistrate, had been wrong to allow a prosecution on a "sus" charge to proceed against Casimir Simeon, a student aged 18.

They issued an order prohibiting the magistrate from continuing the proceedings and an order of mandamus requiring him to dismiss the charge against Mr Simeon.

The charge that Mr Simeon, of Tottenham, north London, was "a suspected person, loitering with intent to commit an arrestable offence" had been made before August 27, 1981, when that section of the Vagrancy Act was repealed and replaced by the Criminal Attempts Act, 1981.

The police sought leave to appeal to the House of Lords in order, they said, to clarify the law, but were refused. They were then able to seek leave directly from the House of Lords itself, and that has been granted.

In the meantime Mr Simeon remains on unconditional bail, his case adjourned, even though the police had said they would offer no evidence in the outstanding cases.

Mr Simeon's lawyer, Mr Neville Kesselman, said he was continuing with proceedings for the committal of Mr Crowther for contempt of court. Mr Crowther declined to dismiss the case after the High Court ruling and instead agreed to adjourn it at the request of the lawyers for the Metropolitan Police pending the Lords appeal.

Mr Kesselman said that if the police were not going to prosecute it was wrong to use his client as a device for clarifying the law.

Twelve tomes will bind together Ulster law

From Craig Seton, Belfast

The mighty task of putting together in 12 volumes, totalling nearly 10,000 pages, all the legisation affecting Northern Ireland since 1921 should be completed in the province this year.

Yesterday, the first three volumes of the second edition of *Statutes revised, Northern Ireland* was presented to Lord Lowry, the province's Lord Chief Justice, by Lord Gowrie, Minister of State at the Northern Ireland office.

The 12 volumes will replace the first edition published more than 25 years ago. The new work is costing £500,000 to produce and will cost £750 to buy. It will cover all Acts of Parliament of England, Ireland, Great Britain and the United Kingdom passed before 1921 affecting Northern Ireland; acts of the former Stormont Parliament in the province and measures of the ill-fated Northern Ireland Assembly; and scores of Orders in Council in the House of Commons under direct rule.

The first three volumes cover the period from 1921 to 1963. The new works will not include the text of acts passed by the United Kingdom Parliament after 1920.

The second edition will bring together nearly 1,500 individual items of legislation up to March 1981. The full text is being made available on magnetic tape in the first step towards an electronic data base for law in Northern Ireland, giving the legal profession the considerable advantage of instant retrieval.

Professor Colin Campell of the Law Faculty at Queens University, Belfast said: "This new edition is a breakthrough. It marks an important start in esablishing a data base of Northern Ireland law in computer readable form. It may mean that Northern Ireland will take a lead in using modern technology in the task of tracing and retrieving specific provisions from existing law."

The Statutes Revised, Northern Ireland, Second Edition, (Stationary office. £750).

Minister defends drug decision

By Nicholas Timmins

Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister for Health, yesterday defended the Government's decision to over-rule its drug safety advisory body and refuse approval for the long-term use of the injectable contraceptive Depo-Provera.

The drug's manufactures, meanwhile, said the decision was "a political responce to pressure groups"; and some doctors who already use the controversial contraceptive long-term on their own responsibility, said they would continue to do so.

The Campaign Against Depo-Provera, which challenges the drug's safety and says it is used of socially deprived and black women without their proper consent, welcomed the decision, although Mr Clarke denied that pressure from lay bodies had influenced the Government.

Upjohn the manufacturer, said: "We deplore the way in which obvious political pressure has over-ruled scientific evidence. Neither society nor the women of the UK are well served by such abuse of a supposedly rational process."

The drug had been used for 20 years in millions of women for long-term contraception and was safe and effective, the company said. It is used in 80 countries, although in the United States approval has been refused.

Mr Clark said the Government had taken the unprecedented step of rejecting the advice of the Committee on Safety of Medicines because the committee's recommendation had been "very guarded".

The committee recommended that the drug should be used only as a last resort, where all other forms of contraception were unsuitable or their side effects unsatisfactory.

It attached four warnings to the long-term use of the drug: that it can be secreted in breast milk, that doctors should check women are not pregnant when it is given, that in monkeys at 50 times the normal dose tumours had developed (although "the relevance of this to man has not been established") and that a few cases of breast cancer had been reported (although "no casual relationship has been established").

Mr Clarke said there was no way of enforcing a restriction making it a contraceptive of last resort. The Government believed the possible risks outweighed the benefit, and there was the quesstion of whether informed consent could be given by some of the women for whom it might be used, such as the severely mentally ill or metally handicapped . "Some say it should be used on promiscuous women who keep having abortions. I do not think that would be very popular."

On BBC Radio, Mr Clarke said: "There have been some appalling cases over the last 10 to 20 years of dangerous drugs being introduced and each individual doctor cannot make a judgment about whether a particular drug is necessarily safe. They rely on the licensing system."

In a Third World country, such as Thailand, where the drug has been widely used, a different judgment might be made.

In Britain, with other forms of contraception available, the benefits offered were small.

Dr Elizabeth Wilson, coordinator of Glasgow's family olanning services, said she too would still use it long-term.

Where Ratepayers threaten the Alliance

By David Walker, Local Government Correspondent

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Voters in the borough of Havering, on the eastern fringe of London, already have a third party alternative, and are dedicated to "community politics", the rallying cry of the Liberals. Since Havering was formed out of Romford, Hornchurch and Upminster in the 1960s, its Ratepayers' Association has been a significant force in council affairs. Its presence will undoubtedly restrict the SDP-Liberal Alliance's chances in the area next Thursday.

Operating mainly in Upminster and Hornchurch, suburban areas including tracts of the London green belt, the association now has 13 councillors of the borough's 63. Its best hope is that 16 of its 19 candidates will be elected, enough to guarantee it a place as a coalition partner with the Conservatives, as it was between 1974 and 1978. That is perhaps the most likely outcome of the election.

Care with ratepayers' money is naturally enough the Ratepayer hallmark. But beyond that its activists swear allegiance to no principle other than the best interests of their patch.

On the council the Ratepayer councillors answer to no whip. Mr William Remfry, a leading light in Upminster, said: "Our interests are unashamedly local. We invented community politics here 30 or 40 years ago."

The issues are the M25 and its slip roads; local playing fields; sewerage and the apparent concentration of the present Conservative administration on the interests of Romford, where Ratepayers are nothing if not suspicious of council spending.

The association, which links several residents and community organizations in the wards, has 6,500 members united by a onthly newsletter. Mr Ronald Ower, a candidate in the Cranham ward and like many Havering residents a daily commuter into the centre of London, said Ratepayers' candidates have a large personal following.

He and his colleagues are resolutely anti-party. "In local affairs residents know most issues are non-political. Therefore they seek constructive discussion on the merits of each case, value for money and constant attention to the needs of each ward, in order to keep the environment pleasant and services good."

Havering is a prosperous borough; the estate agent's window by Upminster station has little to offer below £40,000. It is the area to which rising East Enders have moved, and where better-off manual workers from Fords of Dagenham buy their homes. Even Mr Ronald Whitworth, the long-time Labour leader on the council (Labour has 10 seats), allows "the rather conservative characteristics of the borough as a whole."

But his party has plenty of issues and a solid core of support on such council estates as the gigantic development at Harolds Hill. Labour protests that younger people in the borough cannot set up home because the Conservative council has been selling off too many houses and not building new homes.

Labour hopes to gain votes over the recent doubling of bus and Tube fares and even Mr Jack Moultrie, the Conservative leader, acknowledges that commuters face "astronomical" prices for their daily journeys. A typist travelling into London could face a bill of £10 to £15 a week.

Havering is entirely new territory for the Alliance. The Liberals have no seats at present nor much history of success. The Social Democrats' two council seats were donated by Labour and Ratepayer defectors.

But the Alliance has mobilized 55 candidates for the election and according to their coordinator, Mrs Ann Gordon, their canvassing has turned up an encouraging number of people who are "undecided" but open to Alliance persuasion. A target for Alliance propaganda is the "extravagance" of the Conservatives.

That theme turns up, oddly enough, in the literature of all the parties opposing the present administration and focuses on the decision by the Conservatives to build a large leisure complex called the Dolphin Centre in Romford.

For the Tories, the Romford centre is part of a plan to create what their policy statement calls a "borough of opportunity". Mr Moultrie, no Thatcherite, is an old-style municipal Tory who probably gets much pleasure from building and doing things. He lauds his party's achievement in planting thousands of trees and reclaiming marshes in Rainham. To him, the SDP-Liberal Alliance has no policies and the Labour Party is "almost Communist".



Americans may help British with equipment

By Henry Stanhope, Defence Correspondent

British defence chiefs are expected to confer with the Americans this weekend over possible transatlantic help for the Falklands task force.

So far Britain has drawn heavily, though covertly, on United States intelligence services and on a variety of United States facilities at Ascension Island — the halfway supply base for ships steaming south.

Now the Ministry of Defence might even consider borrowing American equipment to supplement British stocks which were not built up with the present crisis in mind. The United States Marine Corps, for instance, has over 100 Harrier vertical take-off aircraft which could be "loaned" in an emergency, assuming the marines can part with some.

These Harriers, like those in service with the RAF, are not fitted out for the air defence role practised by Sea Harriers on the task force's two aircraft carriers. But like a number of RAF aircraft which are now on their way to the South Atlantic, they could be adapted.

Hercules C130 transport aircraft are among other items of equipment common to both countries - and so are a number of other weapons like the Sea King helicopter and the Sidewinder missile.

American equipment which is not in service with British forces would involve re-training, which would take too long. Sources last night however, explained that they had first to discover what kind of aid the Americans had in mind, and what facilities the task force commander, Rear Admiral John Woodward, needed most.

Would the Americans for instance be prepared to let British warships and auxiliaries use American supply vessels, including oilers at sea?

One source, while welcoming the diplomatic and psychological boost to Britain's Falklands campaign, had to admit that he could not think of anything which the task force badly lacked. By now a supply line has more or less been established to keep the front-line ships well stocked with fuel, food and ammunition.

What Admiral Woodward would really appreciate from the Americans is the use of an operating base which is nearer than Ascension Island and more congenial than South Georgia.

Task force poised

All quiet in the MEZ, ministry reports

By Our Defence Correspondent

The military situation remained uncertain and the atmosphere tense last night after Britain and Argentina imposed mutually exclusive zones around the Falkland Isles and threatened each other's ships and aircraft which intruded.

Some Argentine warships which have been patrolling their country's long coastline for the past two weeks were said to have moved to a position off Rio Grande, close to the outer limits of the 200-mile zone.

The Ministry of Defence, whose own task force is now presumed to be inside the zone, reported however, no breaches of it by either Argentine warships or aircraft.

Britain for its part would seem to have refrained from bombing the 4,000-feet runway at Port Stanley — one of the early options open to the Government in its policy of sealing off the Argentine garrison.

In South Georgia, the white ensign was lowered to half-mast for the funeral of the Argentine prisoner who died in what the ministry will still describe only as a "serious incident" last Monday.

Argentine sources have named him as Chief Petty Officer Felix Oscar Artuso and there are reports that he was shot. But the ministry, while confirming that his name was Artuso, are awaiting the results of a board of inquiry before giving further details. Other Argentine prisoners are among those giving evidence to the inquiry.

He was buried with full military honours at the ceremony in the tiny cemetery at Grytviken. The distance and the circumstances had prevented any consultation with his next of kin about his burial.

In Britain, where preparations continued for augmenting the task force and broadening the ministry's options, unofficial sources disclosed that no contingency plans to deal with an invasion of the Falklands had existed. That the task force had been assembled and dispatched within days, was a sublime example of British staff work.

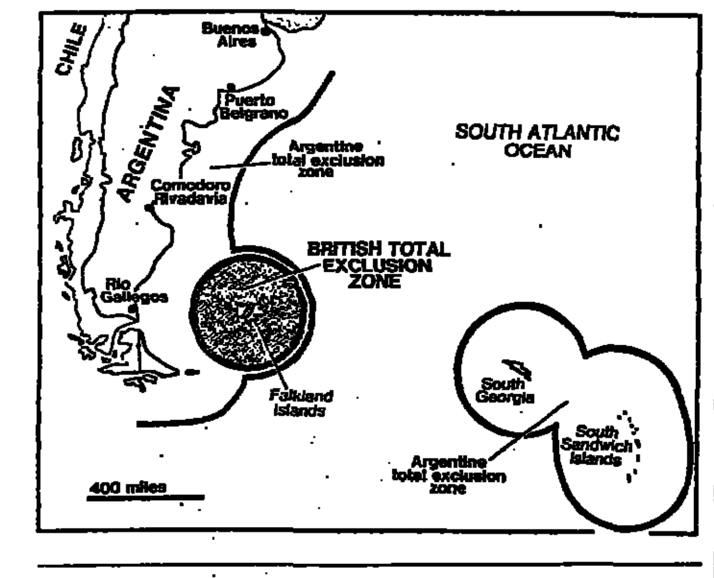
The latest preparations include imminent in-flight refuelling trials for Nimrod maritime patrol and Hercules transport aircraft at the Boscome Down experimental establishment.

A number of both types have been fitted with refuelling systems which, in the case of the Hercules will significantly increase its present range of between 2,500 and 4,600 miles depending upon whether it is carrying 45,000 or 20,000 pounds.

The 3,000-ton British Telecom cable ship Iris, which will be used for ferrying stores around the task force, left Devonport for the South Atlantic.

Meanwhile Prince Charles, who is Colonel of the Welsh Guards, confirmed what the ministry has so far declined to do, that the 1st Battalion have been training in Wales with a possible excursion to the Falklands in mind.

He told the guards at a ceremony in which they received the freedom of Carmarthen: "The arduous training in the Welsh hills was to prepare for possible deployment in the South Atlantic. I amm sure the people of Carmarthen would want to join me in wishing them well.



Junta to buy Brazilian anti-submarine planes

São Paulo, April 30 — Brazil said today that it was negotiating the sale of maritime patrol and submarine tracker aircraft to Argentina, which would significantly increase its capacity to trace British submarines operating in the South Atlantic.

"We are negotiating these planes with Argentina. That is all I am allowed to say," Senhor Paulo Laux, spokesman for the government-run Embraer company, which builds the EMB111 twin-engined maritime patrol aircraft.

The Brazilian Air Force confirmed the negotiations and said that there could be more news this afternoon.

The EMB111 is a military version of the 18-seat civilian Bandeirante aircraft developed by Brazil. In its maritime patrol version it has a range of up to 7,000 miles and can carry advanced radar and electronic submarine detection equipment, together with a light load of missiles and bombs.

Brazilian military analysts said it would "significantly increase" Argentina's capacity to track British submarines operating in the South Atlantic.

An Air Force spokesman said it was virtually certain that EMB111 aircraft sold to Argentina would be new ones, but another spokesman said it was not impossible that the Brazilian Air Force would take some of the 12 aircraft it now has and make them available to Argentina on a rush basis. — UPI.

How Haig announced backing for Britain

Washington, April 30. — The following is the text of the statement by Mr Alexander Haig the American Secretary of State:

Good morning, ladies and gentlemen, the South Atlantic crisis is about to enter a new and dangerous phase in which large-scale military action is likely. I would like to bring you up to date.

We have made a determined effort to restore peace through implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 502. That resolution calls for an end to hostility, the withdrawal of Argentine forces from the islands and a diplomatic settlement.

The United States made this extraordinary effort because the stakes in human lives and international order require it.

From the outset, the United States has been guided by the basic principle of the rule of law and the peaceful settlement of disputes. The collapse of that principle could only bring chaos and suffering.

We also made this effort because the crisis raised the vital issue of hemispheric solidarity at a time when the Communist adversary seeks positions of influence on the mainland of the Americas and latent territorial disputes called for unity and the resolute defence of principle.

We acted as well because the United States has the confidence of the parties. The United Kingdom is our closest ally, and Prime Minister Thatcher's Government looked to us to pursue a peaceful solution. We have also recently developed a better relationship with Argentina as part of our success in revitalizing the community of American states. President Galtieri also requested our involvement.

Under the direction of President Reagan, I participated in many days of intense discussions with the parties in search of a framework for implementing UN Security Council Resolution 502.

Our initial aim was to clarify the positions of the parties and offer suggestions on how those positions might be reconciled.

As the prospects for more intense hostilities arose, we put forth an American proposal. It represented our best estimate of what the two parties could reasonably be expected to accept and was based squarely on our own principles and concerns for the rule of law.

We regard this as a fair and a sound proposal. It involves: a cessation of hostility; withdrawal of both Argentine and British Forces; termination of sanctions; establishment of a United States-United Kingdom-Argentine interim authority to maintain the agreement; continuation of the traditional local administration with Argentine participation; procedures for encouraging cooperation in the development of the islands and a framework for negotiation on final settlement, taking into account the interests of both sides and the interests of the inhabitants.

We had reason to hope that the United Kingdom would consider a settlement along the lines of our proposal. But Argentina informed us yesterday that it could not accept it.

Argentina's position remains that it must receive an assurance now of eventual sovereignty or an immediate *de facto* role in governing the islands which would lead to sovereignty.

For its part, the British Government has continued to affirm the need to respect the views of the inhabitants in any settlement.

The United States has thus far refrained from adopting measures in response to the seizure of the islands that could have interfered with our ability to work with both sides in the search for peace.

The British Government has shown complete understanding for this position. Now, however, in light of Argentina's failure to accept a compromise, we must take steps to underscore that the United States cannot and will not condone the use of unlawful force to resolve disputes.

The President has therefore ordered the suspension of all military exports to Argentina, the withholding of certification of Argentina eligibility for military sales, the suspension of new export-import bank credits and guarantees and the suspension of commodity credit corporation guarantees.

The President also directed that the United States will respond positively for requests for *material* support for British forces. There will, of course, be no direct United States military involvement. American policy will continue to be guided by our concern for the rule of law and our desire to facilitate an early and fair settlement.

The United States remains ready to assist the parties in finding that settlement. A strictly military outcome cannot endure over time. In the end there will have top be a negotiated outcome acceptable to the interested parties. Otherwise, we will all face unending hostility and insecurity in the South Atlantic.



Flying the flag: Air Commodore Brian Frow, Director of the Falkland Islanders Office in London.

Argentina's foreign debt

Repayments keep rolling in

New York, April 30. — Argentina is continuing to make prompt repayments on its foreign debts, except to banks in Britain, according to international bankers here. Argentina has a total foreign debt of $34,000m (£18,000m) including about $21,000m borrowed by the Government.

The Argentine Government, which has said it needs another $3,000m this year just to meet interest payments, apparently wants to demonstrate its readiness to meet foreign obligations. International bankers have, however, shown reluctance to grant fresh credits to Argentina, as they assess the impact of the crisis on an economy hit by high inflation, and the trade embargo imposed by the European Community and some Commonwealth nations.

Britain has also frozen Argentine assets worth an estimated $1,400m. Buenos Aires has reciprocated, and stopped debt repayments to London.

New York bankers expressed heightened concern about the Argentine economy, particularly about the prospects for the austerity programme introduced by Señor Roberto Alemann, the Economy Minister, as well as the impact of the EEC ban on imports from Argentina.

They added that American banks, owed about $9,000m were not making new loans to Argentina, though Buenos Aires was being given more tine to make repayments on some existing short-term credits.

The agencies of a number of syndicated loans, previously held by banks in London, have been transferred to other financial centres, such as New York and Luxembourg, to facilitate repayments, the said.

The bankers said, however, that at least two British banks had kept their agencies in London, and they thought that Argentina was making repayments directly to other members of the syndicate.

Earlier this week, senior European bankers in Luxembourg reported growing strains in the international financial community over demands by London institutions for a share of these repayments.—Reuter.

Reports from Luxembourg said that London banks were making the demands on the grounds that most loan agreements required repayments to be shared out in proportion to the funds put up by each member of a lending consortium.

American bankers in New York did not confirm that they had received any demands from London, but they expected syndicate members to agree to share out payments. Some foreign bankers said, however, that their initial reaction would be not to agree to such demands.

They noted that Argentina had said that it was paying money owed to London into a blocked account at the New York branch of the Banco de la Nación Argentina. Officials there said that money was flowing into the account, but declined to say how much had been deposited.

The foreign bankers also said that Britain's freeze on Argentine assers put London banks in a better position than institutions in other countries to attach or claim these holdings if the situation deteriorated.—Reuter.

Canadians 'very close' to Britain

Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Canadian Prime Minister, said today that Canada was "very close" to Britain's position on the Falkland Islands, but hinted that it would oppose a military solution (John Best writes from Ottawa). He was responding to a press conference questioner, who had suggested that Canada did not support Britain "one hundred per cent."

"We say the sovereignty question remains to be settled, the British say the same... The British say, and we say, that problems of sovereignty must not be resolved by resort to force". He added that any party that attempted to resolve the Falklands issue by force "will have our condemnation, obviously".

On your bike

Argentina has prepared a squad of motor cycle troops to head off any British attempt to land in the Falkland Islands at a remote spot. Argentine television showed the motor cycles being unloaded from a Hercules C-130 transport aircraft. The islands have only 60 miles of paved roads, and even four-wheel drive and tracked vehicles have difficulty moving over soft bogland and heath that

Hanoi's view

Vietnam announced its support for Argentina's seizure of the Falklands, citing resolutions on decolonization passed at the United Nations and non-aligned movement. It condemned Britain's attempt to regain the islands as an "act of colonialism".

Ulster advice

A medical officer on a hospital ship with the task force has asked a Belfast consultant for advice on the treatment of certain "war wounds" which have become commonplace in Northern Ireland. A health spokesman in Belfast confirmed the exchange but details were not revealed.

Visit called off

The Falklands dispute has caused its first diplomatic casualty in South-East Asia with the postponement of a visit to Britain by the Sultan of Brunei.

Britain seeks advice on Swedish request

By David Cross

A Swedish Government request for permission to interrogate one of the Argentine prisoners about the shooting of a Swedish girl in Buenos Aires five years ago has presented the British Government with a difficult and embarrassing problem.

The teenage girl, Miss Dagmar Hagelin, was last heard of in 1978 when she was reported to be in prison, lame and handcuffed to a bed. She was last seen by independent witnesses the year before when she was allegedly shot in the back as she tried to escape from an Argentine death squad.

According to the witnesses, the shots were fired by Captain Alfredo Astiz, who was in charge of Argentina's garrison in South Georgia until he was captured by British troops last weekend. He was then wined and dined on board one of Britain's battleships in the South Atlantic.

Captain Astiz has been described by Spanish newspapers as "The Executioner" for his alleged role as head of a camp where many opponents of the Argentine government were being held. Thousands of left-wing Argentines disappeared.

A Foreign Office spokesman, who said yesterday that the Swedish request for access to the prisoner was under consideration, explained that the question raised "legal complications".

Under the terms of the Geneva Convention, prisoners captured during a war or other hostilities have to be treated with great care. They are, for example, allowed only to disclose brief details like their name and number.

The spokesman said that Britain would adhere scrupulously to the Geneva Convention.

Miss Hagelin: last seen in 1978

Healey hits out at Livingstone

Mr Denis Healey, the Deputy Leader of the Labour Party, yesterday attacked Mr Kenneth Livingstone, the Leader of the Greater London Council, over an article saying that the Argentines had a perfect right to stay in possession of the Falkland Islands. It was published in *Labour Herald*, which Mr Livingstone edits jointly with Mr Ted Knight, leader of the Lambeth Council, and Mr Matthew Warburton.

Criticizing Mr Livingstone for publishing the article, Mr Healey told the Foundry Workers' Conference in Blackpool: "To have done that six days before a critical local election almost beggars belief".

Mr Healey said that if Mr Alexander Haig, the American Secretary of State, "packed his hand in" as a go-between, it could be to Britain's advantage as there would then be no excuse for the American Administration not imposing economic sanctions on Argentina. This might be enough to force Argentina to take out its troops, and start negotiations.

Mr Healey urged Mrs Margaret Thatcher to be the first to seek United Nations mediation, and said he was glad Mr Francis Pym the Foreign Secretary, had not ruled this out.

☐ The Welsh TUC voted for the withdrawal "without delay" of the British naval task force, and the suspension of the exclusion zone around the Faulkland Islands (Tim Jones writes from Llandudno). Only three of the 400 delegates voted against the motion, which also called for the withdrawal of Argentine troops, and a peaceful settlement through the United Nations.

☐ Mr Shridath Ramphal, Secretary-General of the Commonwealth Secretariat, has come out in favour of the British government's tough approach to the Falklands crisis (David Cross writes).

In a speech to a United Nations disarmament meeting in London earlier this week, Mr Ramphal said that Britain, in making a firm and unambiguous response to Argentine aggression, was "rendering a service to the international community as a whole".

Telex cut

All telex and telegram communications with the Falkland Islands ceased from midday yesterday according to British Telecom. There has been no telephone contact with the islands since April 2. Telephone and telex links with Argentine were still open.

Four rules for press to censor itself

From Christopher Thomas
Buenos Aires, April 30

Argentina introduced measures to control foreign and local media today "for reasons of national security". The authorities warned anybody violating the rules that they would be liable to indefinite imprisonment.

The measure were published as a decree in the Official Bulletin this morning and took immediate effect. The Joint Chiefs of Staff of the armed forces summoned the editors of local newspapers and foreign and local wire services to their offices last night to announce the regulations, which were said to be necessary "due to the near state of war in the country."

There was no immediate indication of how news and information would be screened. Several hundred foreign correspondents in Buenos Aires received no direct approach today or encountered any difficulty filing stories.

The editors were told to practise "self" censorship so that press censorship and other restrictions are not necessary. They were warned that sanctions would be imposed if they published news which could "damage the moral of the population."

Article 1 of the decree states: "All information and news coming from abroad and all information related to military operations and national security is subject to the control of the Joint Chiefs of Staff prior to its publication or broadcast by the media."

Article 2 states: "The Joint Chiefs of Staff will use the appropriate means and measures to enforce the decree."

Article 3 states: "All media directors or editors are personally and directly responsible for any violation of the decree."

Article 4 states: "Any media violation the decree will be closed down and the editor or directors placed under arrest and at the disposal of the executive branch for undetermined length of time, not withstanding other civil or penal sanctions which could be taken against him/her."

☐One of the three British journalists being held on espionage charges in Ushuaia told a local news agency: "If we were spies, we would be the worst ones in the world" (UPI reports).

Noticias Argentinas, a private news agency, quoted Simon Winchester of *The Sunday Times* as saying: "We are in a state of anguish and uncertainty over our future."

Winchester, Ian Mather and Mr Tony Prime of *The Observer* have been held in *Ushuaia, 2,225 miles south of* Buenos Aires, since being detained two weeks ago near an airbase in the area and charged with espionage.

"Both myself and my colleagues hope to win our freedom," Mr Winchester said. Defence lawyers will appeal against an order that they be held under arrest pending trial at the federal court in Comodoro Rivadavia.

Mr. Winchester said "The three men, who are now being held at Ushuaia's city hall, spend the day playing ping-pong, reading and listening to the radio.

He claimed that the espionage charges against them were ridiculous. At no time did the three attempt to hide their movements, not did they gather any information that would not be available in specialized military publications on newstands in Buenos Aires. He and the two other journalists are treated well by the Argentine authorities.

Correction

In the report "Hume backs force as a last resort" on page 6 yesterday, the world "morally" was incorrectly printed as "normally". The opening sentence should have read: "Military force is morally legitimate as a last resort in the circumstances of the Falkland Islands crisis, Cardinal Hume states in an article published today".

Subjects who may never be citizens

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Four hundred or more Falklanders will not become British citizens when the new Nationality Act comes into force, probably on January 1, 1983. Because of the Government's rejection of a key amendment to the Act, they are not deemed to be "closely connected with the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man".

According to official statements, that close connexion is what entitles people to be British citizens. Close connexion means having a parent or grandparent who was born in the United Kingdom or being born there oneself.

The remaining 1,400 or so Falklanders do have such a tie. The approximately 400 who do not will have British Dependent Territories citizenship, but they badly wanted British citizenship. All parties in the Falkland Island Council agreed to that request, expressed in a petition to Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, last summer.

The petition said: "We Falkland Islanders and supporters in the United Kingdom, earnestly request that Mrs Thatcher and her Government reconsider the terms of the British Nationality Bill in order to accord full British citizenship to all islanders of British descent."

The Falklands Islands Office, pressing their case, said the act conferred second class citizenship on several hundred Falkland Islanders who did not have grandparents born in the United Kingdom but whose pure British nationality extended unbroken since the early ninteenth century.

An amendment to the Bill seeking to carry out the islanders' wishes was moved by Lady Vickers in the House of Lords on October 7. She said: "The people there have been connected with the islands for up to as many as six generations. They are all descended from people who were English, Irish, Welsh or Scottish."

Lord Hunt pointed out that, of all the 17 British dependent territories listed, there was only one whose inhabitants were incontestably all of British stock, the Falkland Islands.

The amendment was opposed by Lord Trefgarne, Under-secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, who said it would allow transmission of British citizenship indefinitely, through the generations, something not enjoyed by British citizens in any other dependency or country.

If accepted, the amendment would lead to great bitterness and resentment in other dependent territories, resulting in pressure for concessions which, if met, would jeopardize the whole basis of the Bill. The amendment was declared lost after 90 peers voted for it and 90 against. No amendment can be made unless there is a majority in favour.

Lord Trefgarne explained: "It is no mark of inferiority that citizenship of the British Dependent Territories does not carry the right of abode in the UK, any more than that British citizens will not have the right of abode in the dependent territories."

But the Falklands are not in the position of Gibraltar. In spite of government opposition, an amendment was passed which gave people from Gibraltar an entitlement to British citizenship on application. It is now official... explained that Gibraltar falls within the Treaty of Rome for the free movement of labour. Its people have the right of British nationals, for EEC purposes, to enter the United Kingdom to seek and take up employment.

Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, said in a written parliamentary answer on April 8 that he had made it clear that in the present circumstances no Falkland Islander, whether he had right of abode or not, would have any difficulty over admission to Britain. Falklanders would be admitted for settlement and there would thus be no restriction on their taking employment.

Four rules for press to censor itself

Iranians cross Karun in second offensive

From Robert Fisk, Beirut, April 30

Iran appears to have followed up its victories over the Iraqi Army in Khuestan with advances on the southern front across the Karun River near Abadan.

The Iranian military command claimed this afternoon that its troops had crossed the Karun, captured an important highway — presumably the main Abadan-Ahvaz road — and taken more than 1,000 Iraqi prisoners.

The Iranian attack came as no surprise. Ever since they recaptured several hundred square miles of their own territory from the Iraqis west of Dezful on the central sector of the war front, the Iranians have boasted that they would soon mount a second offensive to retake their ruined port of Khorramshahr, which fell to the Iraqis 18 months ago.

The Iraqis — true to the contradictory claims for which the Gulf War has become famous — acknowledged that the attack had occurred, but insisted that their own forces had counter-attacked and that "enemy bodies litter the battlefield".

What is clear from all this is that the Iranians are fulfilling their promise to carry on the war against President Saddam Hussein's Iraqi Army until it has been pushed right back to the Iranian frontier which it first crossed in September, 1980.

The original battle of the Karun River was one of the most costly engagements in the early months of the war, as Iraqi troops fought their way into Khorramshahr and brought their tanks across the river on Russian-made pontoon bridges.



Shortly afterwards, however, they were driven from the western banks and the bridges were destroyed. The front line around Abadan had then remained static until this new Iranian attack.

According to a military communiqué issued in Baghdad, Iraqi jets bombed and strafed Iranian troops during the offensive, killing at least 2,000, of whom 500 died in tank and infantry battles. The Iranians say they shot down five Iraqi jets; the Iraqis claim that they have destroyed an Iranian fighter aircraft and four rocket-firing helicopters.

This afternoon, Baghdad radio quoted an anonymous Iraqi Army officer as saying that "our forces have turned back the enemy onslaught and are teaching him an unforgettable lesson".

Given the course of the Gulf War over the past few months. However, it is President Hussein's regime which is still being educated by the Iranians in the principles of desert warfare.

Tindemans in Kuwait for talks on peace

Kuwait, April 30 — Mr Leo Tindemans, the Belgium Foreign Minister and President of the EEC Council of Ministers, arrived in Kuwait today as part of Europe's effort to help to achieve peace in the Middle East after Israel's withdrawal from Sinai

He said he was carrying no proposals but wanted to evaluate the situation and report to the EEC Council. "The Council will then see whether the time is suitable to put forth fresh proposals", he said.

No talks are scheduled for today, but tomorrow Mr Tindemans will meet Shaikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, the Emir of Kuwait, Shaikh Saad al-Adullah al-Sabah, the Prime Minister, and Shaikh Sabah al-Ahmed al-Sabah, the Foreign Minister.

Foreign Ministry officials said the talks would centre on the Middle East crisis, the Palestinian issue and the Israeli threat to Lebanon.

They would also discuss possible resumption of Arab-European dialogue, suspended nearly a year ago mainly because of Europe's insistence that the question of higher oil prices should also be on the agenda, and Arab opposition to European participation in the multinational peace-keeping force in Sinai.

The officials said Kuwaiti leaders would reemphasize their position that Europe should play a leading role independent of the United States in solving the Middle East conflict, based on total Israel withdrawal and the setting up of an independent Palestinian state.

Kuwait has backed a peace plan proposed by Prince Fahd of Saudi Arabia last August. The plan, which implicitly recognises Israel, has been regarded as an alternative to the Camp David agreements, which has been condemned by most Arabs.

There have been a number of EEC fact-finding visits to the Middle East since Europe offered its help in achieving peace at a conference in Venice in June, 1980.

Mr Tindemans is due to fly to Saudi Arabia tomorrow evening for a one-day visit before going to Egypt and Israel.

He said that a meeting with Mr Yassir Arafat was not included in the agenda. Mr Arafat was in Saudi Arabia yesterday and met King Khalid. — Reuter.

Pakistan bars EEC mission headed by Jew

From Hasan Akhtar
Islamabad, April 29

Pakistan today rejected a protest by the Belgian Ambassador on behalf of the EEC against Pakistan's refusal to receive a European parliamentary delegation headed by M Gérard Israel, a French MEP. The delegation was to have visited Afghan refugee camps.

An official statement said Pakistan had informed the European Parliament on March 18 that the inclusion of M Israel would be misunderstood. He was described as the Deputy General Secretary of the Universal Israelite Alliance.

"Because of the strong feelings of the people of Pakistan and of the Afghan refugees on the question of Israel and anything connected with it, the inclusion of M Gerard Israel in the delegation was not desirable," the statement continued.

"Under the circumstances, the visit of the European parliamentary delegation as it was constituted was still less desirable. Pakistan would urge that a sense of political realism should inform the reaction of the European Parliament and that of the Council of Ministers of the EEC."

Lebanon land mine threatens ceasefire

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem, April 30

The increasingly fragile ceasefire between Israel and the Palestinians came under a new threat today, after an Israeli soldier was wounded when his vehicle hit a land mine in the South Lebanese border enclave controlled by the militia forces of Major Saad Haddad.

A communique issued by the Israeli military command gave no immediate hint of the wounded man's condition. But it stated categorically that the mine had been planted by Palestinian terrorists who had infiltrated into the region.

Only last week, a similar incident in which an Israeli soldier was killed in southern Lebanon, and another was injured, prompted Israel to launch its first air raids into Lebanon since the American-negotiated ceasefire came into effect on July 24 last year.

About 20 Palestinians were killed in the raids, with scores more wounded. At the time, there were threats of Palestinian retaliation, but these did not materialise, in view of zisrael's declared intention to hit back even harder against any new attack.

Last week, Israeli ministers and military commanders made it clear that Israel regarded the ceasefire as applying as much to the Christian border enclave as to Israel itself. It was claimed that the enclave had been specifically included in last July's agreement.

Mr Menachem Begin, the Prime minister, gave a warning in a series of interviews, recorded to coincide with the thirty fourth anniversary of Israeli independence on Wednesday, that the ceasefire would only last if the Palestinians halted all attacks on Israeli targets. "If the terrorists keep the peace, so will Israel" he said.

Tonight, diplomats were braced for possible Israeli retaliation for the latest land mine ambush, though there was uncertainty as to its form or timing. The most common view was that it had further strengthened the likelihood of more Israeli military activity inside Lebanon in the near future.

Military sources have explained that Israeli soldiers were inside the enclave to train the militia men. But the United Nations has repeatedly reported in recent months that large-scale Israeli troop movements have neen noted inside the 60-mile long territory controlled by Major Haddad and his forces, who are financed, clothed and armed by Israel.

In his recent interviews Mr Begin said that Israel would consider entering Lebanon, "to destroy the terrorists' aggressive potential" if there was any renewed shelling of Israel. He also said that Israel would hit back with more force than last week's massive air raids if there were any more Palestinian breaches of the ceasefire.

Before news of today's explosion was released, Major-General Joshua Saguy, the head of Israeli military intelligence told Israel radio that Syria now regarded a military confrontation with Israel as inevitable and had been making preparations for it over the last few months.

In a separate development, the chief of Israel's Central Command, Major-General Uri Orr, issued orders removing the elected Palestinian Mayor of the West Bank town of Anabta, Mr Wahid Hamdallah, from his post. He was the fourth Arab mayor dismissed by the Israelis in recent months.

An official statement cited Mr Hamdallah's recent conviction in a military court on charges of violating town arrest orders, and possessing illegal literature, as reasons for his dismissal.

☐ Tel Aviv: Mr Aharon Abuhazeira, the Minister of Labour, Welfare and Immigrant Absorption, who received a suspended prisoh sentence last week for larceny and breach of trust, submitted his formal letter of resignation to the Prime Minister's office today (Moshe Brilliant writes). It will go into effect in 48 hours unless rescinded.



Space firsts: Two astronauts, Sally Ride and Guion Bluford, will make history next year when she becomes the first woman in space on Shuttle 7 and he becomes the first black in space on Shuttle 8.

Jobs scheme rejected

From Our Own Correspondent, Bonn, April 30

The Christian Democratic-dominated Bundesrat, the upper house of Parliament, today rejected the Government's job-creation Bill, opening the way for fresh conflicts between the coalition parties about how to finance it.

The scheme, which was agreed on with great difficulty by the ruling Social Democrats and Free Democrats, failed because the Christian Democrats objected to bringing forward an increase in value-added tax to finance subsidies for job-creating investments by industry.

The Government will now call in the Parliamentary Arbitration Committee to seek a compromise.

The Social Democratic party congress last week called for tax increases to finance the fight against unemployment, while the Free Democrats have rejected such ideas.



Respite from terror: Gunmen holding 27 hostages on board an airliner at Teguchigalpa allowed the pilot's three children to visit him, and modified their demands three times, but were unable to persuade the Honduras Government to promise any more then to fly them out of the country.

Scourge of Mafia shot dead in Sicily

From John Earle
Rome, April 30

Signor Pio La Torre, the secretary of the Communist Party in Sicily and member of the Italian Parliament, was assassinated in a Mafia-style killing today as he drove to the local party headquarters in the centre of Palermo. His driver, Signor Rosario de Salvo, was also shot dead.

Witnesses said their car was forced to stop by a large motor cycle, then another car with four men drew alongside and opended fire. Signor di Salvo had time to fire four shots before he and Signor La Torre were killed at point blank range.

The motor cycle was abandoned at the spot, while the gunmen's car was later found burnt out a few hundred yards away.

Signor La Torre, aged 55, was a prominent member of a parliament if inquiry into the Mafia. His death brought immediate statements of condemnation from President Sandro Pertini and the leaders of all political parties.

Senator Giovanni Spadolini, the Prime Minister, summoned for consultations General Carlo Alberto dalla Chiesa, the new Prefect of Palermo, who was attending an Army ceremony near Milan.

General dalla Chiesa, who has played a leading role in combating left-wing terrorism in the north, is to take up his new post at the weekend with a brief from the Government to clamp down on the Mafia and its drug traffic with the United States.

Though Palermo has been relatively quiet in the past year — the city authorities say there were only 101 killings in 1981, compared to more than one a day in Naples — the murder of Signor La Torre is the latest in a long series of such crimes.

The most prominent victim was Signor Piersanti Mattarella, the Christian Democratic, president of the Regional Council, who died in January, 1980. Other presumed Mafia victims in the last three years include the Palermo chief public prosecutor, the chief of the police flying squad, the provincial secretary of the Christian Democrats, and a captain of the Carabinieri investigating drug links.

Even so, Signor La Torre was the first serving member if the Italian Parliament to be assassinated since Signor Aldo Moro, the Christian Democrat leader, was murdered in 1978 by a Red Brigades group whose alleged members are now standing trial.

Election in El Salvador

Independent chosen as new President

San Salvador, April 30 — Señor Alvaro Magaña, aged 57, a banker, has been chosen by the Constituent Assembly as El Salvador's new presedent. He is a political independent and succeeds Señor José Napoleon Duarte, a Christian Democrat. He will be sworn in on Sunday.

Señor Magaña's election yesterday came a month after Salvadoreans went to the polls amid guerrilla gunfire to elect the Constituent Assembly, A move supported by the United States as a first step to ending a civil war in which ¼0,000 people have died in the past two-and-a-half years.

Señor Magaña is believed to have close links with the military, but he says he is also a friend of Señor Guillermo Manuel Ungo, leader of a left-wing opposition front allied with guerrillas..

The new president's votes came from all 24 Christian Democrats, the largest single party in the assembly, and from 12 of the 14 assembly members of the National Conciliation Party (PCN). The candidate with the second biggest vote was Señor Hugo Barrera, a deputy of the far right National Republican Alliance (Arena), who won 17 Arena votes.

One of two Arena deputies who abstained from the voting was Major Roberto d'Aubisson, the party leader, who was elected Assembly President last week by 36 right-wing deputies despite the opposition of the 24 Christian Democrats.

The assembly also elected three vice-presidents, representing the major parties. They are Señor Raul Molina Martinez, PCN secretary-general; Señor Gabriel Mauricio Gutierrez Castro, a lawyer and Arena member; and Señor Pablo Maurico Alvergue, a Christian Democrat, now Minister of the Presidency.

Señor Magaña has for the past 17 years headed the Mortgage Bank, El Salvador's biggest financial institution and the only bank with state participation before all banks were nationalized in 1980. The United States embassy here regards him as a capable administrator.

His apolitical past makes it difficult to predict his attitude to the American-backed agrarian reforms instituted two years ago.

But his power will be limited by the Constituent Assembly, which has voted itself extraordinary powers, including those of writing a constitution, making legislation and vetoing the president's ministerial appointments. — Reuter.



Señor Magaña: victory over Arena party

Rebuke for Kyprianou over Cyprus deal

From Mario Modiano, Athens, April 30

The Greek government has publicly rebuked President Kyprianou of Cyprus for making a political alliance with the island's communists on terms that could jeopardize the agreed Athens-Nicosia strategy on the Cyprus question.

At the same time Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Socialist Prime Minister, was reliably reported to have sent a personal letter to Mr Kyprianou yesterday reprimanding him gor his deal with the communist party, Akel.

An official statement in Athens said that while the Greek Government did not wish to interefere in the internal affairs of Cyprus. It could hardly endorse the Kyprianou-Akel alliance in so far as it affected the handling of the Cyprus issue.

According to the pro-government newspaper *Vima*, Mr Papandreou's letter protested that by endorsing Akel's unreserved support for the Cyprus intercommunal talks, the Cypriot President was "torpedoing" the agreed worldwide campaign launched by Athens for the internationalization of the Cyprus problem.

The newspaper said the Greek Prime Minister objected to the alliance on the ground that the President of Cyprus should represent all

The Greek statement, as if to add insult to injury, reassured the Cypriot people directly that it could count on its firm and constant support and solidarity.

Kaunda's summit described as useful

From Ray Kennedy,
Johannesburg, April 30

More than three hours of talks today between Mr P. W. Botha, the South African Prime Minister, and President Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia were described in a joint statement as "useful". In the diplomatic scale of one to 10 for such encounters, this normally means that very little has been achieved.

The statement issued after the meeting, held in a caravan in no man's land straddling the border between South Africa and Botswana, said the two men had "a frank exchange of views on the situation in Southern Africa in their search for a peaceful solution to the problems of the area. The issues covered were those of Namibia and South Africa. Both leaders found the exchange useful".

After the meeting, President Kaunda and his entourage left immediately for Gabarone, the Botswana capital, where their aircraft was waiting to fly them back to Lusaka. Mr Botha boarded a helicopter with Mr R. F. Botha, the Foreign Minister, and Mr Magnus Malan, the Defence Minister, on the first leg of their journey back to Cape Town.

The outcome of the meeting and whether, in fact, anything useful has come from it will be reported to the full South African Cabinet on Tuesday.

It was Mr Botha's first meeting face to face with a leader of a black African state since he became Prime Minister three years ago. The meeting was at President Kaunda's instigation.

Dr Kaunda met Mr Botha's predecessor, Mr John Vorster, in a railway carriage straddling the Victoria Falls Bridge on the Rhodesian - Zambian border in 1975 in an effort to end that war.

When Dr Kaunda announced his invitation to Mr Botha for talks, he said he urgently wanted to discuss the war in South-West Africa (Namibia) and the "explosive" situation in South Africa.

On Thursday night, Mr Botha addressed a political meeting in Pietersburgh in northern Transvaal. It is a stronghold of his right wing adversary, Dr Andries Treurnicht, who has formed a breakaway party of 17 National Party MPs opposed to limited power sharing with mixed-race Coloureds and Asians.

He emphasized that he regarded the talks with President Kaunda as serious although he did not want to preempt its possible outcome.

Master plan for Rome's historic centre

From Peter Nichols, Rome, April 30

This could be Rome's moment. Certainly Signor Vincenzo Scotti, the minister in charge of the country's cultural heritage, is determined to leave behind him the first master plan ever devised for shaping life in the capital's historic centre from museums to closing time for shops.

He feels he has not got much time. The Government has just survived what looked like the end and new problems are expected to arise in the first half of May.

A rising star among Christian Democrats, Signor Scotti has had nearly a year in this comparatively new ministry and his own vigorous approach to his work has fitted into a context almost as if destiny had decided the matter.

Professor Adriano La Regina is the superintendent of Rome's antiquities. He combines imagination with political skill to the extent that he obtained 180,000m lire (£77.5m) special funds from the Government for his projects for restoring Rome's monuments and museums.

Professor La Regina's plans for rescuing the archaeological sites and the monuments in the ancient centre from the mortal damage brought by cars and other forms of pollution have already given him a place among European planners of modern life in ancient cities.

He has had remarkable support from the municipal administration, which is Communist and happy to show an ambitious flair after the dull administrations of the past.

Signor Ugo Veter, the Mayor favours cultural development and he is also attempting to take Rome's traffic in hand.

The fight for financing the protection of Rome's monuments has been won. Professor La Regina played his next card with the same undramatic gesture with which he gently introduced his last revolution.

Nothing could have looked more innocent than his quiet effort to gain President Pertini's consent to turn a part of the Quirinale Palace, the seat of the head of state, into a showplace for Roman antiques.

He is now moving a famous collection of a hundred Roman marbles, kown as the Ludovisi collection, into the Quirinale from the National Roman Museum, where they are badly shown in the overcrowded building .

He and Signor Scotti are at work on the much more complicated question of taking over the greatest private collection of ancient classical art, owned by the Torlonia family. It is now inaccessible to the public in cellars after the building housing it was converted into flats.

Another building opposite the National Roman Museum is about to be bought by the state to to add to its space. Once these arrangements have been completed, Rome will have a route of antiquities and culture starting at the comparatively new National Library in Castel Pretorio th the National Roman Museum, on to the Quirinale with its Ludovisi marbles and, possibly, the Torlonia collection, down to the Capitol museums. Then onto the archaeological zone, which includes the Forum and the Colosseum. Past the Circus Maximus to the Appia Antica.

If Professor La Regina has his way, some of the old ministry buildings on this route, built at the end of the last century to house the first national gavernments, will become centres for archives and academies, or whatever else may be seen as lacking in Rome's newly blissoming cultural expansion.

Signor Scotti has been presiding over a commission intended to define the areas of competence among such various authorities involved as the two houses of Parliament, which are both spreading deeper into the old centre, the municipality and the national Government.

He feels that Parliament's newly acquired buildings could immediately be put to good use in the form of cultural centres in which parliamentarians might improve their minds while filling in their time in the capital.

Intellectually, he says, they are not on the level that members once were, and some good books, music and lectures would not go amiss.

He wants to impose the basic decisions about the future of the city's cultural life in an irreversible way. Only then can rules be established regarding motor traffic even if it will be banned completely one day from most of the old city centre.

Another matter to decide is whether both shops and museums should be allowed to remain closed on Mondays as is now the case, which means that visitors face another day a week as dead as Sunday.

The consequences could, of course, be tremendous. The master plan is intended to settle the direction of this development from the starting point of a genuine reappraisal of Rome's cultural heritage and the proper way to reorder it.

War bodies found after 38 years

Port Moresby — A United States Liberator bomber with 19 skeletons inside has been found 38 years after it crashed in mountainous jungle during the Second World War.

Colonel David Rosenberg, from the Army central identification laboratory at Fort Shafer, Hawaii, said the B24 bomber had been discovered 45 miles north-east of Port Moresby on the thick slopes of Mount Thumb.

Wreckage found by local villagers had helped lead American and Papua New Guinea investigators to the spot. Colonel Rosenberg said the skeletons would be flown to Honolulu for scientific tests. Investigators were still trying to locate the remains of three other personnel believed to have been on the fatal flight.

The bomber crashed soon after taking off from Port Moresby on March 22, 1944.

Polish airliner hijacked to West

Berlin. — A Polish airliner was hijacked by eight people to the Templehof airfield here yesterday, an American military spokesman said.

It was hijacked on a routine flight from Wroclaw to Warsaw. "There was a report of an injury to the sky marshal (security guard) and an ambulance is at the scene," the spokesman said.

Policeman killed in Uganda

Nairobi.— A Ugandan policeman was shot dead by unidentified gunmen at a roadblock near the town of Nansana north-west of the Ugandan capital.

He was the seventh policeman to be murdered by gunmen, believed to be anti-Government guerrillas during the past week. Five policemen died in an ambush last week.

New start for prostitutes

Strasbourg. — The European Commisstion is prepared to provide money to help prostitutes reintegrate into ordinary working life. In a written answer to Mme Yvette Fuillet, a French Socialist MEP, Mr Ivor Richard, the Social Affairs Commissioner, has promised that "in certain circumstances" social fund money will be made available for this purpose (Ian Murray writes).

Rats defeat drugs search

Norrkoeping, Sweden. — Dogs searching for drugs on board a Pakistani cargo ship here panicked by hordes of 15in long rats, some weighing more than 2lb.

They did not find any drugs.

Graves plea

Bonn. — The West German Parliament called on the Government to start talks with Moscow on tending German war graves in the Soviet Union. The Bundestag voted unanimously to seek negotiations to locate and tend the graves of about 2.2 million German soldiers scattered in 118,000 places in the Soviet Union.

Students riot

Lahore. — A story in a Lahore newspaper alleging, student involvement in a hijacking attempt has led to 175 arrests at Lahore University. Police broke up a fierce protest by Muslim students against the previous jailing of more than 100 of their number accused of ransacking the newspaper offices.

Parole lost

Los Angeles — Gregory Powell, a subject of the best-selling book *The Onion Field* has lost his right to parole in June after serving 19 years in prison for killing a policeman. Psychiatric reports said that he would be an undue risk to the public.

Strikes at bases

Stuttgart.— More than 4,500 German civilian employees staged wildcat strikes at Nato bases in West Germany to back up demands for higher wages.

Nuclear vote

Wellington — Mr Robert Muldoon's government has defeated by one vote a Bill to ban all nuclear weapons from New Zealand and its territorial waters.

Salonika bomb

Salonika. — A time bomb exploded outside the American Express office in central Salonika, causing extensive damage but no casualties.

Correction

It was wrongly stated in *The Times* yesterday that Mr Andreas Mavrommatis had been appointed chief negotiator "for Greece" in the intercommunal talks on Cyprus and was Director General of the Greek Foreign Ministry. He is in fact Director General of the Cyprus Foreign Ministry and will be negotiating on behalf of the Greek Cypriot community.

New constitution in China may help Hongkong

From Richard Hughes, Hongkong, April 30

China's newly-drafted constitution could be a welcome guide to Hongkong's future when the existing lease expires in 1997. China-watchers in Hongkong point out that Article 30 in a chapter entitled "General Principles" in the proposed constitution authorizes the establishment of "special administrative regions" in China.

"The political system to be adopted in these regions wil be set up by law in accordance with the *conditions* existing there",the draft says.

This was the same proposal made by Marshal Ye Jiang Ying, the chairman of the National People's Congress, in a statement in September, urging reunification of Taiwan with the mainland.

In that statement, Marshal Ye argued that Taiwan could maintain its won socio-economic system and way of life and China would promise not to interfere with its internal affairs.

Diplomats in Hongkong said then that those terms could be the basis of a satisfactory settlement between China and Britain on Hongkong's future whcich would allow the colony to become a self-governing region and to maintain its own system of running the economy.

The new draft law also recalls the visit ot Peking early this month of Mr Edward Heath, the former British Prime Minister, who discussed the future of Hongkong in a long private talk with Mr Deng Ziaoping, the Party Vice-Chairman.

At a press conference, Mr Heath said that Mr Deng has agreed that the prosperity of Hongkong was very important to China and that investors' and traders' confidence in the Colony depended upon assurances of the future after 1997.

He implied that there had been tacit agreement that the sooner a mutual plan for the future was approved and announced tha better for both China and Hongkong.

China is already operating autonomous "special economic zones", some adjoining Hongkong, with expanding industrial and investment cooperation across the border. China is even buying land inside Hongkong's New Territories.

It is not expected, however, that Taiwan will respond favourably to the new Article 30. The present Kuomintang regime rejected the first proposal by Marshal Ye. But there could be changes as the old generation passes.



Hua Guofeng recovering in Peking hospital

Peking, April 30 — Former Chairman Hua Guofeng, has been taken to hospital here and is recuperating after receiving "meticulous treatment", the New China news agency reported today.

The agency did not say why he had been taken to hospital. It merely said that Mr Hua, who last year was demoted to number seven in the party hierarchy, would celebrate Labour Day with doctors and nurses in Hospital.

Mr Hua made his last public appearance on January 24 at a reception here marking the Chinese New Year.

He has made only rare appearances since he was replaced as party chairman by Mr Hu Yaobang, a protege of Mr Deng Xiaoping, China's effective leader, at the last party Central Committee meeting in June.

Observers note that Mr Hua is the youngest of the six party vice-chairmen and that his illness was made public on the eve of the May Day celebrations during which the country's leaders traditionally appear in public.

The official announcement *of Mr Hua's illness was seen* as an effort to stem any speculation that his absence at tomorrow's ceremonies had political implications. Since last June, Mr Hua has hardly been mentioned and has rarely been seen carrying out his duties.

He was dismissed as party chairman for having delayed the rehabilitation of Mr Deng and having supported unconditionally Mao Tse-tung's policies. He lost his post of prime minister to Mr Zho Ziyang, one of Mr Deng's proteges, in 1980. — AFP

Laos Communists broaden control

Bangkok, April 30, — The first Laotian Communist Party congress for 10 years ended today and diplomatic sources here said the party's central committee had been more than doubled in size.

But the country's leadership was unchanged and Mr Kaysone Phomviane, the Prime Minister retained his post as secretary-general of the party, the sources said.

The congress, which opened on Tuesday in the Laos capital of Vientiane, expanded the 21-member central committee to 49 and increased the secretariat from six to nine, but the seven-member politburo was unchanged. There was tight security and several anti-government demonstrators were arrested.

The new central committee has a broader base than the last one, but there are still no members of ethnic groups, who oppose the government in either the politburo or the secretariat, according to one diplomatic source.

A five year plan was approved for 1981 to 1985 to develop agriculture and forestry as a base for gradual industrial development. Laos, with a population of 3.6 million, is one of the world's poorest nations. — Reuter.

☐ Moscow: In a letter of congratulation, President Brezhnev paid tribute to Mr Phomvihave for contributing to the growing "fraternal friendship" between the Laotian and Soviet Communist parties. (AFP reports).

☐ Britain has given its full backing to the way Thailand has been coping with refugees from the Cambodian civil war

During talks in London this week with General Prem Tinsulanonda, the Prime Minister of Thailand, who has been on an official visit, Mrs Thatcher offered her sympathy for the way Thai villagers were being displaced to make room for the Cambodian refugees. Since 1979, the British government has given £5,400,000 to Bangkok to help pay for the refugee camps.

The two leaders agreed on the need for a withdrawal of Vietnamese troops from Cambodia to give Cambodians an opportunity to exercise self-determination.

Greek curb on Nato manoeuvres

From Mario Modiano
Athens, April 30

Greece announced today that it was cancelling its participation in the Nato exercise, "Distant Drum 82", which begins on Monday, and has declared its national air space out of bounds to the other Nato forces taking part.

A communique from the Greek Defence Ministry invoked disagreements over questions of "command, control and flight safety procedures" to explain its decision to boycott the manoeuvres organized by Nato's South European Command, which last until May 15.

Greece, because of its dispute with Turkey since 1974 over rights and jurisdictions in the Aegean, has often withdrawn from Nato exercises whenever it has felt that arrangements could be prejudicial to its rights in these disputes.

However, this is believed to be the first time that Nato forces have been denied access to Greek air space for joint allied manoeuvres. Previously, Nato air forces were allowed to make free use of the outer four miles of the 10-mile air-space limit beyond the Greek coast.

Turkey, however, has been challenging Greece's right to maintain a 10-mile air space limit when its territorial waters are only six miles. even though these arrangements date back to 1931.

☐ Rhodes A Greek passenger ship, the Stella Solaris, was hit by three rounds of artillery fire on Thrsday when it erred into naval manoeuvres 15 miles off Izmir, on the Turkish coast, port officials said. (AFP reports). None of the 497 touristson board mostly French, West Germans and Americans was hurt.

70 hurt in Spanish farm riot

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, April 30

A farmers' riot in northwestern Spain, in which about 70 persons were injured, and a threat by protesting miners in the south-west to set off explosives at the mouth of the pit if anybody tries to stop their sit-in; characterized a climate of increasing social unrest in Spain today.

About 1,000 farmers, answering a call from the left-wing Galician nationalist union, Comisiones Labriegas, gathered in front of a courthouse in Lugo yesterday to try to stop the first public auction in the region of the property of a farm family which had not paid its social security taxes.

Many of the protesters have refused to pay the same tax for some time, since they maintain it is a business tax pertaining to employees.

Police used rubber bullerts and tear gas to disperse the crowd. One policeman was stabbed, but not seriously.

In the courtroom, a grandson of the deceased owner of the property in question saved it from auction at the last minute by paying the 64,000 pesetas (£352) due in back taxes.

In Cala, in the south-western province of Huelva, iron-ore miners resumed their sit-in in a mine after a workers' delegation failed to win a promise in a meeting with Señor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo; the Prime Minister, in Madrid, that the government would keep its year-old promise to build an ore-processing plant in the area.

Korea amnesty

Seoul. — The South Korean government bas announced the release of more than 1,000 prisoners, the second such amnesty in two months involving a total of nearly 4,000 people.

Poll may settle St Lucia feuding

From Jeremy Taylor
Port of Spain, April 30

General elections in the Caribbean island of St Lucia on Monday could put an end to nearly three years of political feuding and economic decline which have produced four administrations since the island gained independence from Britain in February, 1979.

Three parties are contesting the election, each fielding candidates in all the island's 17 constituencies. The United Workers' Party (UWP) of Mr John Compton, the former Prime Minister, held power for 15 years before being defeated at the polls soon after independence.

Mr Compton, a lawyer, made St Lucia something of a showpiece of pro-Western economic stability in the mid-seventies and is the man Washington would like to see returned to power.

The middle-of-the-road St Lucia Labour Party (SLP) defeated Mr Compton in July, 1979, but was split early in its administration by a leadership struggle that undermined its credibility and led to the fall of the prime minister, Mr Allan Louisy, last year and his successor, Mr Winston Cenac, last January in the face of widespread popular pressure. It is led by Mr Peter Josie, a former Trade Minister.

Since January, the island has been run by an interim government led by Mr Michael Pilgrim, which includes representatives of the UWP and SLP and of business, labour and other organizations.

Mr Pilgrim is deputy leader of the Progressive Labour Party (PLP) of Mr George Odlum, who broke away from the SLP last year as a result of the leadership feud, and is the only socialist contender. The party's statement of principles commits it to a government of "national unity" if it wins.

At the last election in July, 1979, [illegible] per cent of the electorate voted, and the SLP won 12 of the 17 seats in the House of Assembly with 54.75 per cent of the votes. The UWP won the remaining five with 42.66 per cent. About [illegible],000 of the island's 115,000 people are eligible to vote.

The three parties have agreed to co-operate in an attempt to ensure a peaceful end to a stormy election

Crowd stones ex-president

☐ Dominica: Army guards firing into the air twice hustled the motorcade of Señor Joaquin Balaguer the former Dominican President past stone-throwing demonstrators yesterday ae campaigned in San Francisco de Macoris for the presidential election on May 16 (AP reports).

Police reported several people were hurt and several arrested in street clashes with partisan groups

The former president and his car were unscathed, and no serious injuries were reported among his party, although one car's windshield was smashed and its roof dented, and one Balaguer supporter said a rock had hit his head.

Indians kill 13 members of sect

Calcutta.—A crowd wielding spears and knives killed at least 13 members of the Ananda Marga religious sect yesterday after rumours that they had kidnapped children in the southern outskirts of Calcutta, the Press Trust of India reported.

Earlier this week two Ananda Marga women with two children were stopped by people in the same area of Calcutta. The agency said that when questioned, the women said the children had been handed over to them by their parents.

The Ananda Marga (Path of Bliss) sect, founded in India 24 years ago, claims a following of some five million in about 100 countries.

Its leader, Prabhat Ranjan Sarkar, was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1976 for alleged conspiracy in the murder of six defectors from the organization, but was released in 1978 when the sentence was overturned on appeal.

Price of peace to Israel

Tel Aviv. — The decision to raze the Sinai town of Yamit, rather than sell it to Egypt, cost the Israei taxpayer about £33m the newspaper *Maariv* said. The newspaper also said that the Camp David peace had so far cost Israel more than £10,000m, as much as the October war against the Arabs in 1973.

Refugee flight into terror

Washington.—At least 647 Vietnamese refugees were killed and another 884 raped by pirates in the Gulf of Thailand in 1981 after fleeing from their communist-ruled country, government officials said.

"The refugee victims of piracy have aroused the concern and compassion of people throughout the world," Mr Richard Vine, director of the State Department's bureau for refugee programmes, said.

Coup leader back in army



Lisbon. The Portuguese Army has decided to readmit the leader of the April, 19742, coup after he complained that he needed a job to provide for his family.

A spokesman said that Major Otelo Saraiva De Carvalho (above) the colourful leader of the revolution that ended Europe's longest dictatorship, had been pardoned after being dismissed in 1979 for his involvement in a leftist uprising.

Basque blast

San Sebastian. Suspected Bascue guerrillas blew up an electricity substation, cutting power in several areas of the city. Power was restored after two hours.

Britain blamed

China repeated its call for a peaceful resolution of the Falklands Islands crisis but blamed Britain for increasing tension in the area by recapturing South Georgia.

White party disbands in Zimbabwe

From Stephen Taylor
Harare (formerly Salisbury)
April 30

The breakaway white political party formed last year in an attempt to heal relations with the Zimbabwe government has been disbanded.

Mr Andre Holland, a former MP who resigned from Mr Ian Smith's Republican Front last year urging fellow whites to respond to the reconciliation offered by Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister, said the party had been unsuccessful because of white apathy.

The Democratic Party contested three by-elections, including Mr Holland's own former constituency, but was trounced by the RF on each occasion.

Mr Joshua Nkomo, the Opposition leader, faces prosecution under the country's Law and Order (Maintenance) Act for allegedly addressing an illegal political meeting.

He was issued with notice of prosecution yesterday alleging that he held a rally south of the city five months ago without first obtaining government approval.

Mr Nkomo is still under investigation over an alleged arms plot.

May Day bliss: only newly weds were allowed in Red Square yesterday as Moscow prepared for its annual parade.

Coup defence invokes constitution

From Richard Wigg, Madrid, April 30

The lawyer defending Lieutenant-General Alfonso Armada in the trial of officers accused of taking part in an attempted coup last year, today invoked the "presumption of innocence" clause in the Spanish constitution.

He maintained that no proof had been provided of his client's participation in the plotting of the attempted coup. He said all the allegations against him were only "suppositions" based on claims by Lieutenant-General Jaime Milans del Bosch and Lieutenant Colonel Antonio Tejero, both interested parties who were also accused.

The prosecution is demanding a 30 year prison term for General Armada, the former deputy army chief.

Seör Ramon Hermosilla, in his summing up, said that General Armada was in Parliament on the night of the coup, attempting to take a purely personal initiative in a confused situation

He had been obliged to offer the "cunning formula" of heading a future government because Colonel Tejero would not have agreed simply to surrender control of the situation.

Colonel Tejero had flatly refused to negotiate

Señor Hermosilla encountered difficulties from the other accused headed by General Milans when he tried to develop the case for General Armada.

The were so angered by his evidence that towards the end of yesterday's session General Armada had to be protected by another lawyer who quickly took his arm.

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Access to official records

COMMONS

There are no immediate plans for discontinuing public access to the public records reading room in Chancery Lane, London, Sir Ian Percival, Solicitor General, announced in an adjournment debate in the Commons on the Government response to the Wilson Committeee report on public records.

He said that it had been demonstrated that it was physically feasible to site the Public Record Office on a single site at Kew instead of the present four different sites, which were inefficient and uneconomic.

A feasibility study had said that in the long run it would be cheaper as well as obviously better to have the records at one site but that could only be done after substantial building work at a cost of £12m.

Expenditure of that order (he said) cannot be justified in the present economic climate and the proposal for the total concentration at Kew is therefore in abeyance.

It had, however, been agreed that the PRO could maintain its present staff at 406 without further reduction. Demand for the service continued to increase, but this announcement would allow the PRO to plan ahead.

The matter was raised by Mr Christopher Price (Lewisham, West Lab), chairman of the Commons Select Committee on Education and Science, who said that the committee would, he hoped, call more evidence on the issue. The preservation of the archival heritage was a sacred duty for any Government.

It was generally agreed that a full inquiry would be needed after the Falklands crisis was over.

It would be a scandal (he said) if, even now, files should be going missing to save the embarrassment of those politicians whom the inquiry may well find guilty of grievous political misjudgment.

Sleazy world of Soho sex films

Maximum penalties for the use of unlicensed sex shops and sex cinemas are to be increased to £10,000 under an amendment which the Government is to table in the House of Lords at the report stage of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State, Home Office, stated in the Commons.

He was speaking during the report stage of the Cinematograph Bill, sponsored by Mr Peter Lloyd (Fareham, C) which extends previous Cinematograph Acts of 1909 and 1952 to cover powers of enforcement and sets out new provisions for offences and penalties. The Bill completed its report stage but on the motion for the third reading it was talked out and proceedings were adjourned.

Mr Lloyd moved a group of amendments, which were approved during the report stage, to increase from £1,000 to £10,000 the maximum penalty for showing films on premises which did not have the required cinematograph licence.

Mr Raison said he welcomed Mr Lloyd's desire to have the penalty in his Bill in line with the legislation at present before the House of Lords (which has been through the Commons) and he supported the amendments Mr Lloyd had moved.

Mr Lloyd said that the penalties in the Bill must be an effective deterrent. Those who ran bogus clubs at which films were shown were in a lucrative business and unlikely to be deterred by a low fine.

Earlier during the report stage, Mr Lloyd moved a new clause, which was approved, containing powers for a constable to arrest someone he suspected had given a false name and address or who refused to give his name. The purpose was to cover the case where the front man at a sex cinema or sex shop was uncooperative. Often, he said, when police had to return to premises, the front man had disappeared and the whole operation was frustrated. Although unlikely to be used often, this new provision would close a loophole.

Mr Raison, said the new clause strengthened the power of the police in circumstances where an officer suspected an offence and where there was a failure on the part of someone to give his proper name and address.

Arrangements were being made to bring Mr Lloyd's Bill into effect on the same date as the provisions on sex cinemas in the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill. The Government believed the Bill now being discussed provided the most satisfactory means of exercising control over commercial sex cinemas in Soho and elsewhere. It was directly designed to deal with this problem.

Under its provisions commercial sex cinemas would have to obtain a cinemtograph licence. This would give cinema licensing authorities control over what might be shown, which meant they would have discretion in deciding whether the cinema might operate as a sex cinema.

Mr Eldon Griffiths said one of the least agreeable features of police work in the London area was to be required to act in the distasteful circumstances of the blue film world of Soho.

For a young police officer to be thrust in that disagreeable enviroment and expected to enforce complicated law in the face of some fairly sleazy characters, some of whom had access to fairly sleazy legal advisers, was a difficult wourld in which to operate.

☐ The Planning Inquiries (Attendance of Public) Bill, providing that all real evidence be given in public and that all documentation be open to inspection, passed its remaining stages.

Law Report May 1 1982 Divisional Court

When witnesses in person are preferred

Lister v Quaife
Before Lord Justice May and Mr Justice Stephen Brown
[Judgment delivered April 30]

Where the prosecution had witnesses essential to the central issue in their case, it was desirable that they should call those witnesses to give evidence in person as opposed to providing a statement of evidence under section 9 of the Criminal Justice Act 1967.

The prosecutor appealed by way of case stated in respect of the adjudication of the King's Lynn justices whereby they dismissed an information preferred against the defendant, Mrs Elaine Quaife, that on July 24 1981 she stole a brassiere and a dress, the property of Marks & Spencer Ltd, contrary to sections 1 and 7 of the Theft Act 1968.

The Divisional Court dismissed the appeal and made no order as to costs save that the legal aid taxation of the defendant's costs and the prosecution costs to be paid out of central funds.

Mr Michael Lewer for the prosecutor, Mr Anthony Brigden for the defendant.

LORD JUSTICE MAY, in a reserved judgment, said that the justices had acquitted the defendant of theft and had expressed the view that the evidence in respect of the brassiere was equivocal, so the appeal was only in respect of the dress.

The appeal was concerned with the provisions and effect of section 9 of the Criminal Justice Act 1967. Section 9 enabled evidence to be adduced by a statement being read to the court without the maker being called.

Section 9 (2) (d) provided that objection might be made to evidence being *adduced in that* manner which had the effect of the maker of the statement being called before the court.

The defendant was stopped outside the store with the dress with a reduced price label on it. She said that she had originally purchased it at a Marks & Spencer store on the south coast at the beginning of July 1981 and was intending to change it.

The prosecution gave notice to the defendant of two statements under section 9 of the 1967 Act which had the effect of stating that until after July 22, 1981, when there had been a head office direction, no such dress would have been available on sale anywhere at the reduced price. The dress had not been stocked at the store mentioned, but even if they had accepted it as an *exchange, it would have been* marked as an oddment, and it was not.

The defendant did not give notice of objection and the statements were read to the court. The defendant then gave her version.

Before the justices it was the prosecution's contention that if the court accepted the statements tendered under section 9 then it was not open to the defendant to allege that a mistake must have been made by the store without calling the makers of the statements.

The justices had contradictory evidence before them and having decided the defendant's evidence was reasonable, decided there was an element of doubt and acquitted her.

It was the prosecution's case that the justice's decision was perverse and the matter should return to them for rehearing.

However, it was not an easy case. *The answer lay in a proper* consideration of what section 9 achieved. The evidence in the statements read was only evidence to the same extent as if the witness had been before the court. However, if that had happened and there had been no cross examination or challenge of the evidence and the defendant gave contradictory evidence, it might have produced strong comment, but it remained the duty of the Crown to prove a case beyond reasonable doubt.

Accordingly, it was open to the justices to decide that the procedure laid down by the store was what should have happened, but having seen the defendant they could not be sure that it had occurred.

It was always available to the Crown, in similar circumstances, to request an adjournment in the magistrates' court proceedings so that they might call the maker of the statement to attend. In those circumstances the court might take the view that an adjournment be allowed and that the costs thrown away should be paid by the defendant or his legal adviser.

MR JUSTICE STEPHEN BROWN said that the case illustrated that it was desirable to call witnesses who were central to a case.

Where evidence sought to be established under section 9 was essential the prosecution should give careful consideration as to whether they should call the witness so that the proper impact could be made on the court.

Great sympathy must be given to the justices in the position in which they were placed. However, the decision on the facts was for them to decide and accordingly the appeal must be dismissed.

Solicitors: Mr D. Tomlinson, Norwich; Metson Bradford & Clements, Cambridge.

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Sunday 2 May 7.30 pm — **NEW SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Antony Hopkins** (cond) **Daniel Blumenthal** (pno) Mozart Ov. The Magic Flute. **Vaughan Williams** Fantasia on Greensleeves; **Grieg** Piano Conc. **Beethoven** Symphony No. 6 (Pastoral). £2, £2.80, £3.70, £4.60, £5.50, £6. V. Hochhauser Ltd.

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Monday 3 May 8.00 pm — **PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Ambrosian Singers Michael Tilson Thomas** (cond) **Ivo Pogorelich** (pno) **Debussy** Nocturnes; La Mer; **Chopin** Piano Conc No. 2; Andante Spianato & Grande Polonaise. £2.60, £3.50, £4.50, £5.50 (ONLY). Philharmonia Ltd.

Tuesday 4 May 8.00 pm — **LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Klaus Tennstedt** (cond) **Felicity Lott** (soprano) **Schoenberg** Verklärte Nacht. **Mahler** Symphony No. 4. £2, £3, £4, £5, £6, £7. LPO Ltd.

Thursday 6 May 8.00 pm — **MUSIC OF EIGHT DECADES London Symphony Orchestra London Symphony Chorus Simonov** (cond) ... **Lutoslawski** (cond) **Connell, Randova, Langridge, O'Neill, Haughland, Howell, Pasco.** **Lutoslawski** Novelette (1st Lon pf); **Schoenberg** Erwartung; Stravinsky Oedipus Rex. £3, £4, £5, £6, £7 (ONLY). LSO LOCB

Saturday 8 May 7.30 pm — **SATURDAY SPRING CLASSICS Philharmonia Orchestra James Judd** (cond) **P Fowke** (pno) **C Warren Green** (vln) **Rossini** Ov. L'Italiana in Algeri; **Rachmaninov** Pno Conc No. 2; **Vaughan Williams** The Lark Ascending; **Beethoven** Sym No. 5. £3, £3.70, £4.40, £5, £6, £7 (only). RFH

Sunday 9 May 3.15 pm & 16 May 7.30 pm — **LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Klaus Tennstedt** (conductor) **Boris Belkin** (violin) **Brahms** Academic Festival Overture; Violin Concerto; Symphony No. 1. £2, £3, £4, £5, £6, £7. LPO Ltd

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Tuesday 11 May 8.00 pm — **MUSIC OF EIGHT DECADES Philharmonia Orchestra. Simon Rattle** (cond) **Jan DeGaetani** (m-sop) **Michael Rippon** (bar) **Maxwell Davies** Black Pentecost (1st performance), **Stravinsky** The Rite of Spring. £2, £3, £4, £5, £6, £7. Philharmonia Ltd

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Thursday 13 May 8.00 pm — **ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Yefim Bronfman** (piano) **Walter Weller** (conductor) **Smetana** Overture, The Bartered Bride; **Rachmaninov** Piano Concerto No. 3; **Strauss** Also sprach Zarathustra. £2, £3, £4, £5, £6, £7. RPO Ltd

Friday 14 May 8.00 pm — **ERNEST READ SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Camden Choir Camden Chamber Choir Hertford Choral Society Reading Bach Choir Tudor Singers Julian Williamson** (cond) **Penelope Walker Kenneth Bowen Michael Rippon Elgar** The Dream of Gerontius. £1.50, £2, £2.50, £4. ERSMA

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Tuesday 4 May 7.45 pm — **KEN SASAKI** (piano) **Chopin Recital** Mazurka in A minor, Op. 17/4, Berceuse, Op. 57; Ballades, Nos. 1, 2, 3 & 4; Nocturne in G minor, Op. 37/1. Sonata in B minor, Op. 58. £1, £1.50, £2, £2.50, £3.50. Choveaux Management

Wednesday 5 May 7.45 pm — **NINA MILKINA** (piano) **DELME QUARTET Haydn** String Quartet in G, Op. 17/5; String Quartet in D, Op. 76 (Emperor); **Mozart** Piano Quartet in E flat, K.493. Piano Concerto in F, K 413 (version a quattro). £2, £3, £4, £5. Marketing and the Arts

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Opera/William Mann

An abandoned Tatiana

Eugene Onegin
Covent Garden

Thursday night's revival by the Royal Opera of Tchaikovsky's best-loved opera will be remembered by devotees as one where, in the first scene, Onegin took Tatiana for a walk in the woods, and returned without her. His recollections of his uncle's lingerings death were vouchsafed to the audience alone. No explanation was given, but mercifully, when the curtain next rose, Tatiana was there again, washing her face before bedtime, in best voice for her Letter Song. All proceeds in good order except that her nurse ought not to have left the dirty slops in the bedroom overnight.

The production was once Sir Peter Hall's (though now unacknowledged), and it retains some of the original pleasurable features, notably the local detail at Mme Larina's ball. The cast is much changed, and Hall should be invited back to supervize the next revival: this one was staged decently by Richard Gregson, but lacked the exact interplay of characters in the original.

There is a new conductor, Yuri Simonov from the Bolshoi, more blessed with positive ideas about the score than with the ability to hold stage and orchestra firmly together. (His downbeat often dangerously flexible.) The music emerged flawed but moving along the right lines. Pauses for scene-changing were too long for dramatic continuity. Simonov was welcomed on his appearance at curtain call and will, I hope in subsequent performances relate all the tempi somehow to one another.

The star of the show was plainly Nicolai Gedda's Lenski, looking eminently youthful and handsome, careful never to sing an ugly note, though emotionally generous: his unwillingness to fight a duel with his best friend was touchingly conveyed even in the events leading up to his challenge. Beside him were Claire Powell's vivacious, strongly voiced Olga, Benjamin Luxon's frigid yet oddly sympathetic Onegin, his rebuff to Tatiana a masterpiece of tact, his later appeal to her obviously doomed yet musically cogent. M Triquet's couplets about Tatiana were skilfully delivered by Alexandre Oliver in Russian throughout rather than French.

Gabriela Benackova is again the lovely, vulnerable Tatiana, tender and vocally radiant in her big scene, though adorable from the start of the opera, and especially in the vocal quartet some minutes later. Her transformation to the Princess of the Third Act is made effortlessly and firmly: when she confesses her lome for Onegin in the last duet we know already that his hopes are vain. New to the cast is Sergei Kopcak, a handsome Gremin with a fine bass voice, blunted in edge like a 2B pencil, its precision needing a pencil-sharpener as it were, for exact draftmanship.


Claire Powell vivacious as Olga and Nicolai Gedda youthful as Lensky

Radio/David Wade

A fallen idol

In the days when I was pretending to be a personnel officer in industry, the work of Sir Cyril Burt was regarded with some reverence. As my colleagues and I impudently subjected applicants to batteries of IQ tests and, with a fine sense of indisputable rightness, rejected them if their scores fell by so much as a hairsbreadth on the wrong slope of a normal curve of distribution, we did it with the full authority, or so we thought, of the Gospel according to St Cyril.

A few years later the great evangelist was shown to have fabricated much of the data on which he had based his influential conclusions concerning the overwhelmingly genetic nature of human intelligence. By that time, however, I was pretending to be a writer and, apart from registering the crash of an idol falling from its throne, I don't think I paid much attention. To me, then, BBC Scotland's *The Burt Scandal* (Radio 4, April 29) came as a belated and informative briefing on what Burt had actually done and why and how he had got away with it.

Or did it? As it happens this week's *Listener* contains an article not, as is customary on these occasions, by the presenter (Richard Morris) not the producer (Martin Goldman) but by a well-known though somewhat sparse contributor to the programme, Professor Hans Eysenck. Eysenck was first Burt's pupil, then his subordinate and suffered some extremely shabby treatment at his superior's hands: he has no reason to defend his memory. I could not help noticing then that his suggestion, that the original exposure of Burt (by Oliver Gillie in *The Sunday Times*) had been based on insufficient evidence, was received without much enthusiasm; moreover if he or anybody made the points to Morris — which are included in the article — that (a) much of what Burt did was useful and well-founded; (b) the fraud was irrelevant to whatever may be the importance of genetic factors in human intelligence, then they did not exactly loom large in the programme.

As to how Burt got away with it, Morris and Eysenck seem to be in broad agreement: his results were not that different from those of others in the same field and few people thought to check the data sources of so elevated a man. As to why he did it, both programme and article provide the evidence, but perhaps Eysenck makes more sense of it, pointing to that psychopathic behaviour which in his early experience had led Burt to rewrite other people's work without their knowledge or consent so as to support his own conclusions.

In this repect the man was profoundly dishonest, so that when later in his life things began to go against him, dishonesty must have been a natural means to combat them. If this is so, then I wonder at Eysenck's distinction between "small dishonesties" (i.e. rewriting) and "really serious crime" (i.e. fraud). Perhaps in the mind of the man who commits both there is no distinction: the responses are the same. It is the context — to which psychopaths are notoriously insensitive — which turns one into the other.

Radio 4's new Wednesday series, *A World in Common*, has made a strong start. I was particularly struck by the handling of population in programme two: Emanuel de Kadt, Daniel Snowman and their contributors conveyed as well as I have heard it done the reasons why in poor societies pleas for family limitation are likely to be ineffective and how it may be that economic growth is a prerequisite for contraception, not the other way about.

Television/Peter Ackroyd

Waste of talent

We'll Meet Again (LWT) does almost everything again and again: romance, battle, and domestic warfare which gives the 'home front' an entirely new meaning. And here also are some of our favourite stock characters: Rosie, the barmaid, who comes over all peculiar when she spots a handsome American officer, should win an award for doing exactly what is expected of her.

This is the perfect soap opera because it skilfully combines the two ingredients which are most likely to provoke a sentimental response — love and war; they go well together, so well in fact that they are often mistaken for each other. Last night, Susannah York was faced with the prospect of both her men injured somewhere below the waist, but she kept on smiling. Perhaps she knew that had only a few episodes to go.

As all the world knows by now, *We'll Meet Again* is the drama of an American airforce base ensconced in a Suffolk market town — a hybrid of M.A.S.H. and The Archers. For the middle-aged it provides nostalgia for the time when 'fags' just meant cigarettes and when Americans knew 'how to treat a girl . . . They make you feel sort of special'. Tell that to Betty Friedan.

For the young, the series provides a number of torrid romances which are so decorously treated that for once they can use their imaginations; and, for the very young, we have masculine heroes of very few words. In last night's episode an American airman of 15 manages, before his age is discovered and he is sent back to the United States, to shoot down two enemy planes. It is comic-book stuff, and it fuels the fantasies which comics once provoked.

Dramas of this kind remain watchable because they simplify everything beyond the point of no return: the story is a sketch merely, and the characters really only caricatures; but deliberately so. Nature, especially human nature, abhors a vacuum and the point of such dramas is to allow an audience to project itself into the characters, and fill up the gaps which the story leaves. There is nothing particularly wrong with that, of course, except that it is a waste of so fine a talent as Susannah York's: she is an excellent actress, but here she has merely to look pained, or understanding, or both. Throughout this series the imagination is missing, presumed dead.

Chess/Harry Golombek

King of the giants

The vexed question of who was (or is) the world's best chess player is very much in the air. Some point to Karpov's magnificent tournament record as world champion and claim that this is sufficient to make him the greatest. Others talk wistfully of Bobby Fischer, and those with even longer memories think of Lasker, Capablanca and Alekhine.

A fundamental reason for the differing opinions is that an objective judgment is impossible.

It is impossible for anyone who knows anything about chess not to have preconceived judgments. Clearly, I myself, having been a young master when Capablanca and Alekhine were in their prime, tend to favour one of those two marvellous players.

No doubt, if there were anybody still around aged about 150, he would be staunchly pro-Paul Morphy and Methuselah would back Philidor.

The question is how far can one refer back? Not, I think, to the old form of the game. It was so different from chess as we know it and the evidence in the *shape of whole games* is so incomplete that no real judgment can be formed nowadays. All the same, it is tempting to award the palm to Ali Shatrang (which means Ali *the* chessplayer) or even to Alaadin, on whom Aladdin of pantomime fame must have been based.

Nor have we any real evidence as to the strength of the earlier great masters of the time when the game became a European one. Ruy Lopez, Ercole del Rio and Paulo Boi left practically nothing behind and though Greco was modern enough to come England, get mugged and thus lose all his well-gotten gains, the book he wrote of his games was merely a medieval exercise in the listing of opening variations.

So we come to Philidor. Again few games and those mostly at odds. He was a Triton among the minnows of his time, but it was a weak time.

We have to wait for the nineteenth century before there is sufficient evidence on which to base a judgment. Then indeed we get Paul Morphy, the remarkable prodigy from New Orleans, who came to Europe, saw it and conquered. A wonderful player who had he not retired early from the playing arena, would I believe have qualified for the title of the world's best yet.

Then, about 40 years later, there came Emanuel Lasker. Possibly he also might have been awarded the palm; but in his case it seems to me that his long absences from play prevent our giving it to him. My own predilection is for either Alekhine or Capablanca, always admitting that I may be wrong for the reasons already given.

Then Fischer? Possibly, but losing ground because he contributed little that was original to the game.

And so we come to Karpov. His record is there for all to see. Magnificent though it is, it has become a little tarnished of late with comparatively poor performances. So, one can only suspend judgment.

Meanwhile, to whet your appetite as to the games of the great tournament that ended yesterday at County Hall in London, here is a sparkling win by the young Dutch grandmaster, Jan Timman, that was played in the tenth round of this event.

White J. Timman Black L. Portisch Q.P. Queen's Indian Defence.

1	P-Q4	N-KB3
2	P-QB4	P-K3
3	N-KB3	P-QN3
4	P-KN3	B-N2
5	B-N2	B-K2
6	O-O	O-O

Allowing White to make the ensuing central thrust; a safer line was 6. ., P-Q4 and if then 7.N-K5,P-53.

7	P-Q5	PxP
8	N-R4	P-B3
9	PxP	NxP
10	N-B5	B-B3
11	R-K1	B-R3

Ingenious; he allows White to win back his pawn by 12.BxN, PxB; 13.QxP, but then after 13. ., N-B3 Black's two Bishops rake White's position and he has the better game.

12	P-K4	

Fine play; he spurns the regaining of the pawn and makes for command of greater space.

12	....	N-K2
13	N-K3	B-K4
14	N-N4	B-B2
15	P-K5	P-Q4

The one mistake that Black makes in the game — but it is enough to lose it! Correct was 15. ., P-Q3.

16	B-N5	B-B1
17	N-B6ch	K-R1

If 17. ., PxN; 18.BxBP, B-B4; 19. Q-Q2, threatening Q-R6, wins for White.

18	N-B3	N-R3
19	N(B6)xQP	PxN
20	NxP	

White's sacrifice was purely temporary since, owing to the Bishop pin on the Knight, White regains his piece with interest.

20	....	B-K3
21	BxN	Q-Q2
22	NxB	QxN
23	B-Q6	Q-B5

This loses even more material, but he was already quite lost.

24	B-B1	resigns

If he defends his Knight by 24. ., Q-B1 then, simply, 25.BxR, QxB; 26.BxN etc.

Bridge/Jeremy Flint

American Who's Who

The "McKenney" Trophy is awarded annually to the player who wins the most master points in American competitions. It may be compared with the biggest winner on the American Golf circuit, with one small but significant difference. The golfer wins several hundred thousand dollars, the bridge player does not win a nickel.

If one studies the list of previous winners, it reads like a Who's Who of American bridge. Charles Goren won the McKenney eight times, Oswald Jacoby four. In recent years the McKenney has become a specialist event because to hold any chance of success a player must devote an enormous amount of time, and, dare I say it, a considerable sum of money, in the ceaseless quest for master points.

Barry Crane won the McKenney for the first time in 1952. Ever since 1966 he has always been the man to beat, and on five occasions his skill and determination have proved too great for the remainder of the pack to catch him.

Henry Francis, in the *Boston Herald American*, described this year's fight for the trophy as "one of the bitterest dogfights in the history of contract bridge". Crane, who is a well known television director, found that the strikes which disrupted the industry in the spring enabled him to devote his energies to bridge. But this was no one-horse race. Mel Skolnik, a successful businessman, but hitherto unknown in the bridge world, decided to make an all out attempt to win the 1981 McKenney Trophy. He employed former winners Soloway and Andersen to oversee the operation. The full list of Skolnik's "army" was formidable indeed, including world champions Meckstroth and Rodwell, and a host of other leading American players.

The bitterness between the two antagonists was forged in May. Rumour has it that Crane had originally offered to help Skolnik in his assault upon the McKenney, but had changed his mind. With seven months of competition still remaining, Crane and Skolnik were no longer on speaking terms. They were both so desperate for points that they would play in the early morning pairs, starting at 8.45 am, and in the late night events ending at 3 am.

The Skolnik camp showed their expert planning by selecting the non-smoking division for their man, while injecting some professional pairs in the smoking division to make life more difficult for Crane.

The script for the final confrontation in Reno might have been written by Alfred Hitchcock. Skolnik had a healthy, but not insuperable, lead of 137 points.

In Reno, Crane won two big pairs events and was second in a third, to score 138 master points. But Skolnik, assisted by a powerful team, won the knock out teams, collecting 59 points. Crane's gallant attempt to cut back the deficit fell short by 58 points.

Skolnik rightly describes the McKenney as a bridge marathon compared with the normal sprint which a world championship entails. He obviously feels it is a prize well worth winning, for it is estimated that it cost him $250,000 to win.

This example of Crane's incisive defence justifies Skolnik's policy of employing his heavy artillery.

Pairs
Game all
Dealer South

North: ♠8764 ♡9432 ♢Q5 ♣KJ4
West: ♠Q92 ♡J5 ♢AJ10964 ♣A3
East: ♠K103 ♡K86 ♢87 ♣98762
South: ♠AJ5 ♡AQ107 ♢K32 ♣Q105

W	N	E	S
Crane			
—	—	—	1NT(¹)
2♢	2NT	No	No
No	—	—	—

(¹) 15-17 points

The raise to two no trumps this sequence should be construed as strictly competitive, carrying no invitation to proceed. Crane led the ♢J which declarer covered with dummy's ♢Q. East signalled with the ♢8 to show that he had at most a doubleton. Declarer played a low heart to his ♡10 losing to Crane's ♡J. The pedestrian defence of establishing the diamond would suffice to beat the contract by one trick, but that is not the way to win a pairs event.

Crane correctly deduced that declarer's play of the ♡10 marked him with the ♡AQ. If he had the ♣Q together with the ♢K which he was known to hold, he could not hold both the Ace and King of Spades because that would make 18 points, too strong for an opening of one no trump by his methods.

Accordingly Crane switched to a spade, but unlike his less gifted counterparts, not a small spade but the *Queen of Spades*. If declarer had won with the ♠A, Crane would have taken the first round of clubs and put his partner in with *the* ♠K to obtain a diamond return for a three-trick penalty. Declarer wisely ducked the ♠Q, and Crane returned to the establishment of his diamonds to earn a fine score of + 200.

Entertainments Guide

Travel: edited by Shona Crawford Poole

Sweden/Peter Black

Spring snowshine

Spring is such a beautiful time that I decided to enjoy it twice. So in mid-April I left England, where spring had reached the mowings of lawns and early plantings, for the village of Tallberg, population 240, on the western shore of Lake Siljan and the edge of the great northern wilderness that stretches across Scandinavia and the Soviet Union. There, spring, advancing from the south was still waiting for winter to retreat.

The snow stood swept into high piles, and lay in clean banks on the cold side of ditches and hedges. The newly uncovered grass was yellow and soggy. From indoors one looked out on a blue spring day, but outside the wind was in the north, the lake was frozen over.

"What a pity, you have come too early," said Arne and Christina Akersblad, renowned innkeepers of Tallberg. My advisers in Stockholm had been misled, it appeared, by euphoria during a week of fine weather at Easter. The sun was hot, the people took the chains off their cars and went about saying: "Have a nice day! "We shall pay for this!", "Spring at last!" Then there was a 6 in. fall of snow, the sleighs and shovels came out again and hope shrank.

This followed the hardest winter for 100 years: "Halloween (October, 31) is the day when the snow always comes". I was told. "This year it came 10 days before."

Of course there are consolations. Before the snow comes the country is very dark - "like living in a sack." The snow spreads a kind of reflected light. The Swedes are organized for the winter. Houses are snug (even the gents' at Leksand railway station had a radiator) and brightly decorated. The pungent scent of wood fires hangs everywhere; and there is deep satisfaction in chucking logs on and watching them release the stored light and heat of summer.

At Christmas there are parties, and sleigh drives and skating and cross-country ski journeys. Cars can drive the short route across the frozen lake. And there is Swedish food, with its infinitely resourceful variations of marinaded fish (at every lunchtime the Akerslads served seven varieties of herring fillets).



Winter landscape at old Upsala, Sweden.

It is not the cold that eats the spirit, but the long, long dark. By April the longing for the sun is a passion. "I feel now like an old potato long in the cellar," said a woman with whom I travelled north in the train.

On Walpurgis Night, huge bonfires and processions and fireworks formally expel winter. In early May the lake begins to thunder as the ice breaks up. Without its refrigerating effect the land warms fast. The locked-in energy of growth explodes. Gardeners hurl themselves into a two-week frenzy of cultivation to catch the short growing season. "There are many heart attacks," said Arne Akersblad. But I saw what I had come to see; the waiting, each day assuaged by some happy sighting.

Birgitta from the tourist office drove me round the lake exclaiming at the harbingers of spring: a girl on a horse, boys playing marbles, some open water by a bridge with swans on it.

Batting along the forest road she braked, shouting joyfully: "Tussilagen, did you see it?" She reversed 20 yards to show me the yellow flowers, like tiny suns, dotted among the grass. She looked down tenderly. "It is the first of all the spring flowers," she said.

The sun was *really* hot, the sky pale blue and filled with high sailing clouds. It was so still in the forest the loudest sound was a squeaking from Birgitta's corduroy trousers as her legs overtook each other. After dinner I went for a walk to catch the sun bathing the lake in a steely silver glow. I could feel the day's warmth draining away. I had just about enough warm clothes on.

The evenings passed at a sober gait. Most of the other guests were mature women at a political conference. ("They are what you call Whigs," said Arne. "Do you have Whigs still?" "There's one left," I said, thinking of Jo Grimond). They kept themselves apart, even ignoring the big social event of the week, *Dallas* on Swedish TV.

On Sunday morning I went for another walk, uplifted by a slightly louder gurgling from the ditches as the snow released water. It seemed to me that the vaguest blur had appeared on the birch trees, and a kind of veil of umber coloured the buds in the hedges. Bleatings came from new lambs turned out to have a first look at the world.

If you like peace and quiet and natural beauty you will find this little outing deeply rewarding. Take or rent a car; take a friend for the long evenings. Do not take, as I did, suits of underwear that Sir Ranulph Fiennes would have rejected as too thick. The normal English winter kit will see you through.

You can get there by Torline sea ferry to Gothenberg or by flying SAS to Stockholm and domestic flight to Borlange. Akersblad Pension: From 205 kr (about £20) a person for full board in a double room with shower; from three to seven days. Weekly rate: 200 kr. Tor Holidays Ltd, Anzani House, Trinity Avenue, Felixstowe, has a summer brochure with spring breaks with car from £78.

The Times Cook

A puzzle at the Ritz

A keener interest in school physics and chemistry lessons might have equipped me to solve the mystery of mousseline single-handed. The question is this. Why, when adding cream to a puree of raw fish — to make quenelles or the basis of a terrine — is it supposed to be necessary not only to chill the bowl on ice, and to incorporate the cream a little at a time, but chill the bowl in the refrigerator, for half an hour or so between each addition of cream?

Part of the answer seemed clear when a rushed batch resulted in a mousseline which tasted good, but had a wetter, more coarsely grained texture than the perfection I was aiming for.

The standard had been set at a lunch at The Ritz given by Country Chefs Seven, a club of young British chefs who wish to promote the excellence of modern British cooking. Since each of the seven chefs produced one course, the lunch was a long one. And the third course, a terrine of turbot made by Chef Murdo MacSween of the Elms Hotel at Abberley, near Worcester, was nothing short of heavenly.

He parted with the recipe in the obliging way that chefs do nowdays, so I asked him about the business with the ice. Could one, I ventured, be trying to make some kind of emulsion which will only 'take' in arctic temperatures, and if so, why do not recipes, even Escoffier's explain.

Chef MacSween thought not. Repeated chilling would have been necessary in big, hot restaurant kitchens in the days before food processors, but not now. Both fish and cream should be well chilled before they are combined. The trick, he says, is adding the right amount of cream. Too much and the mousseline will be wet and coarse, too little and it will be rubbery. How to judge this is explained in his recipe.

Terrine of turbot

Serves six to eight

250 g (9 oz) skinned and boned turbot

1 whole egg and 1 egg white

450 ml (¾ pint) double cream (see method)

Salt and cayenne pepper

6 large leaves fresh spinach

6 fresh scallops

Mince the turbot twice using the fine blade of the mincer. Then purée the fish with a food processor, or pestle and mortar, adding the whole egg and egg white and blending until smooth. Now sieve the puree, "this is essential even if you are using a food processor", and stand the bowl of purée in a larger bowl of crushed ice. Chill it well.

Gradually add two thirds of the cream, a little at a time, working it thoroughly into the purée with a wooden spoon. Season with salt and cayenne pepper. Now poach a teaspoonful of the mousseline in simmering water. If it is too rubbery, add more cream. If it is too soft, beat in more egg white. Check the seasoning and keep chilled until needed, but not for more than two hours.

Blanch the spinach leaves in boiling water, after removing the tough stalks, and refresh them in cold water. Pat them dry.

Clean the scallops, but leave them whole.

Generously butter a terrine of 900ml (1½ pints) capacity and line it with spinach leaves. Half fill the terrine with mousseline, then lay the whole scallops closely together down its length. Cover with the remaining mousseline and top with spinach. Tap the terrine sharply on a hard surface to settle the contents.

Cover the terrine with a lid or foil and stand it in a larger *dish*. Transfer both to a preheated moderate oven (180°C/350°F, gas mark 4) and pour boiling water into the larger dish, ideally to come two thirds of the way up the sides of the terrine. Bake for 30 minutes then test with a skewer. It will come out warm and clean when the terrine is cooked.

Rest the terrine for 10 minutes before turning it on to a warm plate to serve hot, or leave it to cool in the terrine for serving cold.

At the Ritz lunch the terrine was served hot with a *beurre blanc* sauce to which finely shredded sorrel had been added at the last moment.

Pate of salmon *en croûte* is another recipe which uses fish mousseline, this time to bind pieces of whole fish which are cooked in a pastry case. The pastry used is a stronger than usual version of shortcrust which is reinforced with egg.

Pate of salmon en croûte

Serves eight to ten

For the fish mousseline

225g (8 oz) skinned and boned salmon or salmon trout

Salt and cayenne pepper to taste

½ teaspoon ground mace

1 egg white

250 ml (8 fl oz) double cream, chilled

For the pastry

340g (12 ox) plain flour

½ teaspoon salt

170g (6 oz) butter, chilled

1 egg

Iced water to mix

1 egg yolk beaten with 1 tablespoon water to glaze

For the filling

340g (12 oz) skinned and boned salmon, or salmon trout

½ teaspoon salt

Freshly ground black pepper

30g (1oz) butter

2 tablespoons dry white wine

1 tablespoon cognac

2 tablespoons chopped fresh dill

2 tablespoons chopped fresh chives

For the aspic

150 ml (¼ pint) fish or chicken stock

1 tablespoon gelatine crystals

Salt to taste

1 tablespoon dry sherry

Make the salmon or salmon trout mousseline using the method explained in terrine of turbot.

Make the shortcrust pastry in the usual way, but using the whole egg, and chill it well before rolling out.

To prepare the filling, cut the fish into long strips about 1.25 cm (½ inch) wide and thick. Season them with salt and pepper. Heat the butter in a frying pan and when it froths, add the fish. Fry it gently for only three or four minutes, just to firm the flesh. Transfer the fish to a plate to cool and sprinkle it with the wine and cognac.

To assemble the paté, generously butter or oil a rectangular hinged metal mould about 25 cm (10 inches) long by 7.5 cm (3 inches) wide and deep. Alternatively, use a non-stick loaf tin of similar dimensions. Roll out threequarters of the dough on a lightly floured surface to a long rectangle about 8 mm (⅓ inch) thick. Lower the rolled dough carefully into the mould. Gently press the pastry against the base and sides of the mould so that it forms an even, crack-free crust which will be imprinted with the pattern of the tin. Trim the edges flush with the top on the tin.

Drain the fish fillets and beat a little of the wine and brandy marinade into the mousseline. Spread a layer of mousseline over the base of the pastry and top it with a closely packed layer of fish, sprinkled with herbs. Continue the layers to the top of the tin, finishing with a layer of mousseline.

Roll out the remaining pastry and trim it to make a lid. Damp the edges of the walls of pastry with water and fit the *lid in place.*

Glaze the pastry by brushing it with egg yolk and water. To allow steam to escape, cut a small hole in the centre of the lid and prop it open with a cylinder of several thicknesses of foil and crimp the edges with the back of a fork. Brush the lid again with glaze.

Bake in a baking sheet in a preheated moderately hot oven (190°C/375°F, gas mark 5) for 15 minutes, then lower the heat to moderate (180°C/350°F, gas mark 4) and continue baking for another 1¼ hours. If the crust is browning too quickly, cover it loosely with foil.

When the pate is almost cold, remove the foil chimney and tin. Chill it well.

To make the aspic strain the stock through a fine sieve lined with a double layer of damp muslin or with kitchen paper. Sprinkle the gelatine on the stock, seasoned to taste, in a small pan, and when it has swollen heat gently until the crystals have dissolved completely. Cool the aspic and stir in the sherry. Chill a spooonful of aspic to check that it sets firmly enough, and add more gelatine if necessary.

Place a small funnel in the hole in the lid of the pate and pour in a little of the aspic. If leaks in the pastry become apparent, chill the pate again to set the jelly inserted, then continue filling with melted aspic until it will accept no more. Chill the pate for several hours before serving.

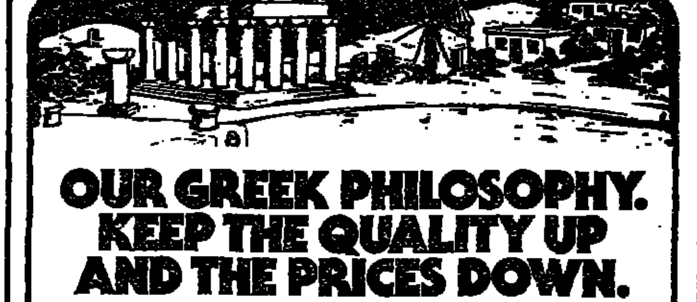
A delicate cold sauce to serve with fish is easily made by mixing good mayonnaise half and half with single cream and plenty of finely chopped fresh dill.

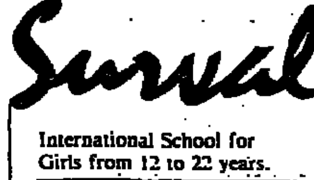
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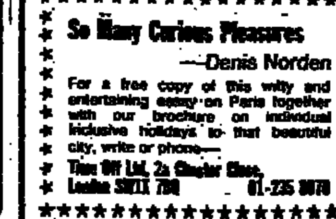














Shoparound with Beryl Downing

The spending spree of the happy snappers

It is no wonder amateur photographers are known as happy snappers. Apparently unaffected by the recession, they are expected to spend £550m on their hobby this year, £210m of which goes on developing and printing. According to Kodak, 9 per cent more will be sold this year than last year, and 12 per cent more prints will be made. And there is a definite trend to 35mm cameras.

For a while, amateurs flirted with the 110s, which first appeared in 1972. Neat, foolproof and pocketable, they were ideal for the instant picture for the family album — all the focusing and exposure done for you, no danger of the subject disappearing or the spontaneous expression fading or, worse, freezing, while you fiddle with your F11s.

But a 110 negative has to be enlarged nearly seven times to produce a standard print and that often means loss of definition and colour. The 35mm film, to produce the same print, is enlarged only 3¾ times and the results are considerably better. The problem was how to keep the size of film and reduce the size of the basic box which, as Lord Snowdon has shown us all recently *On Camera*, is all you need to take a picture, provided you have Venice as your backdrop.

The answer was the pocket version of the 35mm camera, known as the compact — a neat name for a group of cameras that are not always as simple to use as their size would imply. There are more than 72 models which vary considerably in performance, use and price, so how can you be sure of getting value for money?

To find out, Shoparound did what any inexperienced amateur might do — bought copies of the specialist camera magazines and browsed through their recommendatons in various price categories. We made our selection from their suggested best buys, but then came up against our first problem — not all were easily available.

So we rang round the stores to discover which models were well distributed and we selected six to test — one cheapie, The Boots Bierette, four middle-range models, the Konica C35 EF3, Mamiya U, Chinon Bellamy and Olympus XA2 and one upper-bracket camera, the Ricoh FF1S. We did not look at auto focus cameras which are usually relatively more expensive and do not offer the user the option of making his own decisions.

As the cameras we chose are not intended for professional use we gave them to an experienced amateur, Russell Malkin, to test and we asked him to take the sort of photographs a holiday-maker might snap — buildings, landscapes, people, pets, with the instruction to include a long-distance view, a close-up and an indoor shot.

We only tested the flash on those cameras where it was built in — a facility liked by the average point-and-click amateur. Those who prefer a greater degree of control and others learning about photography would probably opt for the greater flexibility provided by the models with a hot shoe facility.

Each subject was photographed with each camera, allowing a minimum time to elapse between cameras so that the light conditions varied as little as possible. Conditions were sunny in all shots. The film, FP4, was developed and printed at *The Times* with the instruction that each roll was to be given the same treatment with no adjustments made to affect the final prints.

The pictures shown are the results. The notes are taken from the report, compiled by Russell Malkin, as he operated each camera.



Russell Malkin, 22, who tested the cameras for this report, is in his final year as a student of civil engineering at Thames Polytechnic. He has had a keen interest in photography since he was 14 when he helped his father to process film in their bathroom/darkroom. He has since built his own darkroom in the loft, has run a studio of his own and is particularly interested in fashion and sports photography.

Boots Beirette BL. £16.95.



Made in East Germany. Overall measurements: 4½in x 2½in. No lens cap. Hot shoe facility for flash. Available from major branches of Boots.

Ease of use: film speed, from 25 to 125 ASA, could be changed accidentally when turning aperture of focusing rings. As shutter speed is altered the film speed changes as both are adjusted by the same ring.
Focusing and exposure: dark viewfinder with narrow field of view. Focusing done by guessing distance and setting focusing ring. Exposure by symbols — sun, half sun, light cloud, dark cloud.
Results: all the pictures were slightly off centre and some were out of focus.

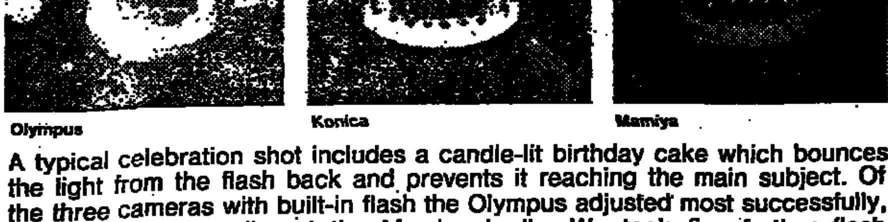
Verdict: although the price makes this an attractive proposition for the beginner, results may be disappointing until the user has learned to compensate for the discrepancy between viewfinder and lens. Bulky design and not easily pocketable. Lack of lens cap a definite disadvantage.

Konica C35 EF3. £59.99.



In black, red, white, royal blue and gold. Made in Japan. 4½in x 1¾in. Separate lens cap. Built-in flash. Available from Dixons, Wallace Heaton, Bond Street, W1, Rother Cameras, Tottenham Court Road, W1.
Ease of use: film, 25 to 400 ASA with intermediate settings, easily slotted in with well designed take-up spool. Simple to set without danger of accidental change.
Focusing and exposure: focusing ring marked with feet, metres and four symbols from close-up to infinity. Light next to viewfinder goes red if light conditions too low. Camera does not turn itself off, so if shutter is cocked release button can still be operated, so could go off in pocket or handbag. Automatic exposure. Easy, self-charging, pop-up flashlight glows when ready. Self timer with flashing red light.

Results: Good, clear definition in daylight. Rather dark results with flash.
Verdict: cumbersome design with all knobs and buttons projecting. Separate lens cap a serious fault — easily lost. Flash not consistent. Too much put into the colour range and not enough into the basic design.



Olympus Konica Mamiya

A typical celebration shot includes a candle-lit birthday cake which bounces the light from the flash back and prevents it reaching the main subject. Of the three cameras with built-in flash the Olympus adjusted most successfully, the Konica less well and the Mamiya badly. We took five further flash pictures with the Mamiya and the results were better, but not much.

Mamiya U.
£60 in black, £65 in silver.



Made in Japan. 4½in x 1¾in. Integral sliding lens cover. Built-in flash. Available from Dollonds and Photomarkets. For local stockists contact J. Osawa & Co (UK) Ltd, Unit 11, Stadium Way, Oxford Road, Reading, Berks. Telephone 0252 879121.
Ease of use: cassette placed on the right with film travelling unconventionally from right to left. Film speeds 25 to 400 ASA with intermediate settings, thumbwheel wind-on, considered by Russell a disadvantage. Fiddly to set film speed but not easy to change inadvertantly.
Focus and exposure: easy to understand focusing range — four positions from close-up to infinity. Automatic exposure. Self-charging, pop-up flash. Self-timer with red light and bleeper.
Results: definition and quality average in daylight, poor with flash.
Verdict: The easiest to use, most pocketable and one of the best looking of our cameras. Accurate viewfinder, but flash inconsistent for anyone who wants to take a lot of indoor shots.

Chinon Bellami. £65.98.



Includes separate flash gun. Made in Japan. 4in x 1¼in. Integral lens cover. Exclusive to Dixons and Wallace Heaton.
Ease of use: wind on very stiff and drive sprocket at first tore the film. Rather fiddly to set film speed (range 25 to 400 ASA). Camera is switched on as the front doors covering the lens are opened. Doors seem flimsy and vulnerable when camera is in use.
Focus and exposure: focusing given in feet and metres, no symbols. Viewfinder small but bright. Low light warning indicator. Automatic exposure. Detachable flash not supplied and not tested.
Results: average to good for distance and close-ups. **Verdict:** smallest and most pocketable of the six cameras. Quick to operate. Stiff wind-on may have been peculiar to specific camera tasted.

Olympus XA2. £70.

Made in Japan. 4in x 1½in. With detachable flash, 5½in x 1½in. Integral sliding lens cover. Available from Dixons, Greens, Comet. Rother Cameras have it for £64.95.
Ease of use: Easy to load and smooth wind on. Film speeds 25 to 800 ASA. Camera activated as lens cover slides apart. Very sensitive shutter button, so it could go off before you are ready.
Focusing and exposure: three basic focusing positions given in symbols — head shot, group shot, landscape. Bright viewfinder and excellent range. Green low-light warning. Automatic exposure. Flash screws into side of camera and has pop-up light to show when it is charged. Self-timer on base bleeps and flashes red light.



Results: good definition and accuracy on distance shots. Slight tendency to over-exposure loses definition in close-up. Excellent flash results.
Verdict: pleasant to use, easy to pocket with and without flash. Excellent lens cover. Good-looking design.

Ricoh FF-1s. £90.

Made in Japan. 4½in x 1½in. Pull-down lens door. Hot shoe flash facility. Available from Rother Cameras, 256 Tottenham Court Road, W1. Lewis's, Manchester, Camera House, Birmingham. Other stockists from Mr. Ian Faulkner, 0782 615131,
Ease of use: simple to load with lever wind-on. Range from 25 to 400 ASA but no intermediate stops. Easy to set without danger of accidental change.
Focus and exposure: easy to set focus displayed in feet and metres. Clear viewfinder. Low light warning. Automatic exposure. When flash is used camera has to be manually set to aperture required. Self timer with red flashing light.
Results: all prints had better quality, depth and body than those produced by the other cameras.
Verdict: very easily pocketable camera with smooth lines. All functions easily manipulated.



Conclusions: simply from the point of view of ease of use and portability, and without seeing the results, Russell gave his order of preference as follows: joint first Ricoh and Mamiya; second, Olympus; third, Chinon Bellami; fourth Konica; fifth Beirette. Having seen the finished prints, we would agree that the Ricoh is worth buying if you can afford it. The results would seem to warrant the extra outlay. For a retailer's view we talked to Jeremy Rother, of Rother Cameras, who has 15 years' experience of the trade and was, he says, "weaned on photography".
He agreed that the Ricoh is ideal for the customer who has been through the various stages of amateur photography fever and wants to settle down with a small camera which will produce good results with a minimum of trouble, but he also suggested that the Olympus XA, the more sophisticated version of the XA2, would give even better results for a similar price.
In the medium price ranges, we thought the Olympus XA2 was simple, reliable, conveniently portable and very good looking. At the lower end of the market, we feel the Beirette is not sufficiently accurate for a beginner and that equal results could be obtained from the even cheaper cameras available, or much better results if you are willing to spend another £6 to £10. On the basis of our simple tests on a tiny proportion of the growing compact market we would not presume to offer a best buy, but simply to show the variety of features and results that are offered within a range of prices. If you are planning to spend a lot of money on any camera, the best advice is — if in doubt, borrow first, decide later.
* *All prices, other than Boots, will vary according to the dealer, and most will offer lower prices than those quoted.*



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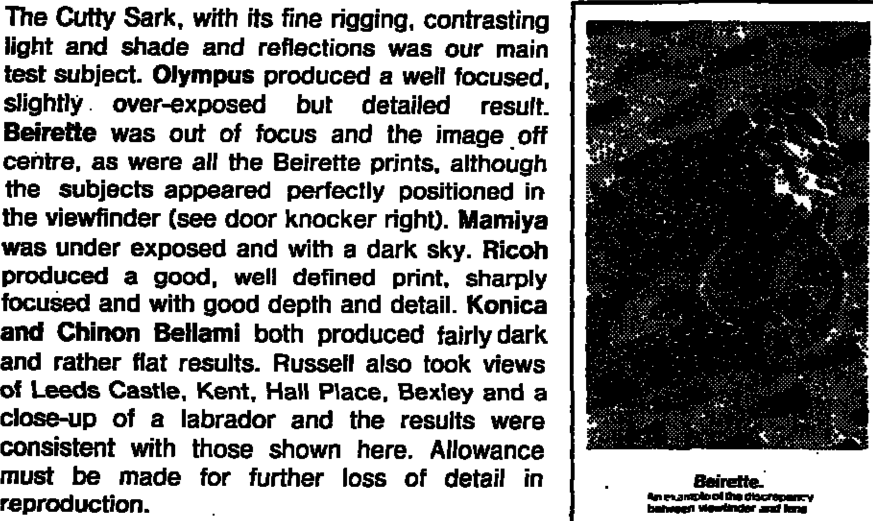


RICOH FF1S



KONICA C35EF3 CHINON BELLAMI

The Cutty Sark, with its fine rigging, contrasting light and shade and reflections was our main test subject. **Olympus** produced a well focused, slightly over-exposed but detailed result. **Beirette** was out of focus and the image off centre, as were *all* the Beirette prints, although the subjects appeared perfectly positioned in the viewfinder (see door knocker right). **Mamiya** was under exposed and with a dark sky. **Ricoh** produced a good, well defined print, sharply focused and with good depth and detail. **Konica and Chinon Bellami** both produced fairly dark and rather flat results. Russell also took views of Leeds Castle, Kent, Hall Place, Bexley and a close-up of a labrador and the results were consistent with those shown here. Allowance must be made for further loss of detail in reproduction.



Beirette. An example of the discrepancy between viewfinder and lens

Gardening/Roy Hay

Water, water everywhere

■ Never have I known such a difficult six months for gardeners. A bitter winter followed an abnormally wet year and many nights this month have been chilly, with frosts.

I would not trust this spring an inch. If you have half hardy bedding plants in boxes or pots in a greenhouse or frames do not be in a hurry to plant them out.

If nights remain cold, keep them under cover, but do feed them once a week with soluble feed because, overcrowded and starved in their seed boxes, they will quickly grow spindly and turn out to be miserable specimens. If you buy boxes of seedlings later in the month do look for sturdy plants with healthy looking foliage, not drawn, starved stuff running prematurely to flower.

If you have had little experience of buying bedding plants ask somebody to go along who knows the ropes — these plants are not cheap and you don't want to end up with rubbish. A friend of mine says his favourite spring game is not listening for the first cuckoo's call but looking for the first boxes of tender marigolds (tagetes) on sale in the shops or garden centres. This year he spotted his first lot on April 3 in a garden centre in Middlesex.

But the spring has not only been capricious regarding temperatures, gardens in the south of England, at least, are dry and we have started watering. Many gardeners are busy replacing plants killed by the frosts and the last thing we want is prolonged dry spells. We must be assiduous in watering copiously all trees, shrubs, roses and herbaceous perennials planted this spring, or even, in the case of trees and shrubs last autumn.

Just to hand is a new and very clever sprinkler from Hozelock called the H 537 Pulse Jet Sprinkler (at around £10) — more familiarly known as a "flip flap" as it flips its way slowly round, activated by the water pressure.

This model has three new features. The jet can be adjusted to water five spray patterns — full circle, half circle, quarter circle and a narrow segment. The moulded plastic base has three hollow "feet" which fill with water when the hose is turned on and which hold the sprinkler steady on the ground — no need for a spike to anchor it.

The third and clever refinement is an outlet from the base of the sprinkler into which can be plugged another length of hose line to feed a second sprinkler — or, if there is sufficient water pressure, a third or fourth. This last facility is quite new and could be useful in many gardens.

In dry spells at this time of year, besides paying great attention to watering newly planted shrubs and trees, it is important to see that germinating seedlings of flowers and vegetables, especially grass seed, never go short of water.

□ Hanging baskets, or the "half" or "wall" baskets that you can hang on plastic covered square meshed wire panels attached to a wall, give a third dimension to a garden, especially a town plot, and much extra enjoyment. The Auriol range of baskets and panels, made of plastic covered wire, is excellent.

If you have a greenhouse or sun lounge it would pay now to fill these baskets and keep them under cover until it is safe to hang them out. This period indoors gives the plants a chance to root into their new compost.

We line our baskets first with a thin layer of sphagnum moss — from a florist or garden centre. Then we put in a liner of plastic sheeting — green, preferably, if you omit moss. Puncture half a dozen holes in the plastic, to allow for drainage.

Make the holes about 2in from the bottom of the basket so there is always a small reservoir of water on which the plants can draw if we forget to water, in fact, baskets should be watered twice a day because, hung up in the air, they dry out much faster than tubs or window boxes.

□ Looking ahead to next year, we should be sowing seeds in the next week or two of wallflowers, both the orange and yellow forms, myosotis, foxgloves and sweet williams. The last two we can leave until early June but I believe in sowing the others in May to be sure of sturdy plants for bedding out in October.

I am sorry to keep on about watering but it is important to site the seed bed for these biennals and later, perhaps, for perennials, near a water supply. The spot where they will be lined out as soon as they are large enough to handle should be right near a water supply. As with so much in gardening, water is the key to success with these and other plants we raise from seed in the open.

□ My wife and I have had many tearful complaints that clumps of daffodils have gone "blind" — producing lots of leaves but no flowers. This has not happened in our garden, indeed our three dozen or so clumps of daffodils have never looked better and we do not have a single blind patch.

This I attribute to watering the bulbs copiously all through April, May and early June if the weather is dry. Also we give the bulbs a watering every 10 days from about mid-April until the mid-June with a leaf feed. To help the feed stick to the leaves, we give a good dash of household detergent to each gallon of the fertilizer.

Daffodils increase by making offsets — small side bulbs — and these take some years to fatten up to flowering size. Perhaps the dry spring of 1980 checked this process. Anyway I am sure that my treatment, plenty of water and a leaf feed, keeps daffodils happy.

Jill Craigie celebrates the centenary of the most puzzling Pankhurst

Sylvia, the revolutionary who ended in a feudal palace

Estelle Sylvia Pankhurst, born in Manchester 100 years ago next Wednesday, looked at life through the eyes of an artist and lived as a revolutionary. Paradoxically, she spent her last years living in a grace-and-favour villa as the family friend and adviser to the only surviving feudal monarch, Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia.

In memory of her services to that country stands a monument, in front of the cathedral of Addis Ababa, more impressive than any in honour of Ethiopian patriots. Of more benefit to the inhabitants are the welfare services she established — if they still exist — especially the well-equipped Princess Tashai Memorial Hospital, for which she struggled to raise the money untiringly during her old age. She died of a heart attack in Addis Ababa at the age of 78.

Sylvia's fame today rests mainly on what she wrote about herself in the book she conceived as an autobiography, *The Suffragette Movement*. She gives a vivid account of her childhood and family life, of her gruelling experience as a militant and as a pacifist during the First World War, referring throughout to her personal opinions and emotions.

Kenneth Morgan, in his biography of Keir Hardy, has touched on her strange love affair with the Labour leader, and David Mitchell, in *The Fighting Pankhursts*, has covered most of her later public activities.

Otherwise, little is known of the true Sylvia, of her inner conflicts and private life. It seems from papers deposited in Amsterdam that she wanted the world to know of her love affair with Keir Hardie, but nothing about her son's father, Silvio Corio, the anti-fascist refugee. Papers issued by the Italian secret police, discovered by an American professor, Patricia Romero, give details of Corio's background and suggest that, in his underground fight against the fascist regime, he depended for his maintenance on women, as he did later on Sylvia herself, though she too usually lived in poverty and sometimes depended for her support on well-to-do friends.

In her biography, not yet submitted for publication, Romero shows how Sylvia worked for a number of different causes on the far left, yet never lost sight of her objective — human welfare and progress. In 1917 she saw hope for humanity in the Russian revolution and joined with others to foment a similar uprising in Britain, thereby rejecting pacifism — a fact omitted from *The Suffragette Movement*.

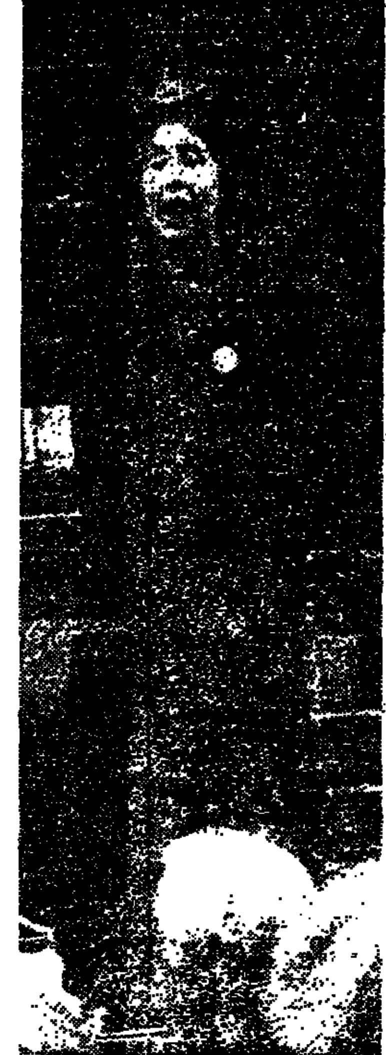
Though deprived of a visa, she outwitted Scotland Yard by going to Moscow in time for the second session of the Third International, intent on engaging Lenin in open debate. She thought his instructions to British communists to infiltrate Parliament and trade unions futile compared with a genuine insurrection of the proletariat. Only by such an uprising would it be possible for the administration and places of employment to be taken over by workers' councils and run on Soviet lines.

Lenin averted the argument by treating her as the guest of honour. Verbatim reports of her speeches in the Record Office testify to her incitement of the navy to bombard the Palace of Westminster. Articles deemed to be seditious, published in her paper, *The Workers Dreadnought*, which bore the sub-title, "Organ of the Communist Party", led to her being sentenced to her eighth term of imprisonment. On her release she continued to criticize communist policy, for which she was expelled from the party.

Richard Pankhurst has denied that his mother was ever a communist. No doubt that was what he was led to believe; but Mitchell and Romero provide conclusive evidence to the contrary. Disillusioned by the war and the failure of the post-war government to build the promised homes for heroes, Sylvia, like Ellen Wilkinson and others whose names are now respected, thought that the new Jerusalem could be built overnight on the ashes of established institutions, forgetting that forced growths fail to put down deep roots. Sylvia soon became a defender of parliamentary democracy while remaining a Marxist.

In her concern to improve conditions for the poor, she lambasted housing officials until their files bulged with her correspondence. In a row over rates in Poplar she led an army of the unemployed in a siege on the town hall. Try as she might, little came of her endeavours other than the bruised heads suffered by the unemployed, victims of a police baton charge.

In 1928, at the age of 46, Sylvia burst into the news in the unlikely role of the Scarlet Woman. As an advocate of birth control and free love, she







Sylvia Pankhurst addresses a by-election meeting in Manchester (left) after she had moved from sedition to support of parliamentary democracy. Above, with her son, Richard, born in 1928. "I wanted a baby without the ties of marriage," she said. Right, the Labour leader, Keir Hardie, with whom she had an affair, and Emperor Haile Selassie, whose adviser she became.

scandalized her contemporaries and half killed her mother, who had just been adopted as Conservative candidate for Whitechapel, by telling a journalist that, partly for eugenic reasons, but also as a matter of principle, she had given birth to a son out of wedlock.

Sunday newspaper placards displayed in huge type: MISS PANKHURST'S BABY. As her sister, Christabel, was better known and then preaching the Second Coming, the repercussion on her was rather unfortunate.

With the invasion of Ethiopia and its emperor in exile, Sylvia found what, perhaps, she had been looking for throughout life, a worthy cause, "a rare creature of genius" whom she could help, and a substitute, it seems, for her adored father. She founded the *New Times and Ethiopia News* and became Haile Selassie's propagandist-in-chief at a time when his fortunes were at their lowest and he stood most in need of an advocate in Britain.

In an unpublished letter written from Ethiopia to Christabel, Sylvia came to the startling conclusion that she had probably been mistaken in abandoning her art for duty. She painted in words more effectively than she did in oil or water colour. Writing of her childhood, she tells how the trade union leader, Tom Mann, grew so hot and excited when making a speech that she could not take her eyes off his shirt, which gradually crumpled, until it resembled a wet rag.

During her childhood, anarchists, free thinkers, rebels and reformers swarmed into the Pankhurst home, filling the air with their talk of strikes, lock-outs, women's suffrage, socialism and, most often, of the iniquities perpetrated by heads of government one and all, even the great Gladstone.

Some of the guests had gone to prison for a cause, a fairly common occurrence in the days when the disenfranchized had no means of overturning repressive governments. To work, if needs be to suffer for a cause, the young Pankhursts learned, was the purpose of existence.

One day in 1893, when to no avail the issue of women's suffrage had been debated in the Commons for the fourteenth time, the father, Dr Pankhurst, cried out in exasperation, "Why are women so patient? Why don't you force us to give you the vote? Why don't you scratch our eyes out?" He clawed the air with his fingers.

The scene imprinted itself indelibly in the minds of his family. Given such intensive indoctrination it would have been a miracle if any of the children had grown up with an ounce of respect for the powers that be. None of them did. The suffragette campaign was the logical outcome of their upbringing.

Christabel was the darling of her mother's heart, and eclipsed Sylvia. Christabel not only learned to read at an earlier age and was considered to have the better brain, wrongly as it transpired, but she also excelled in beauty, grace and charm. On the platform she electrified audiences, fired them with enthusiasm, made them laugh and enchanted them with her youthful audacity.

She commanded a huge following until, in 1912, she directed a campaign of arson and destruction from Paris.

During the arson campaign Christabel and her mother were the most hated women in Britain. Yet, no sooner did they declare their support for the war than they won their way back to public and political favour. Sylvia, with most of the brave pacifists, suffered opprobrium. For denouncing conscription in Trafalgar Square, a number of soldiers hounded her off the platform and pelted her with missiles — a fact omitted in *The Suffragette Movement*.

Hearing of the debacle while in America, Emmeline Pankhurst sent a cable for publication denouncing Sylvia's "foolish and unpatriotic conduct". This was not the first nor the last of public repudiations of Sylvia by her mother, and vice versa.

In one way and another, Sylvia had suffered at the hands of her two relatives for most of her life. Odd remarks made in the past and incidents seem to have built up in her mind to become major grievances, but in one respect, at least, Sylvia had the edge on them both. She could write.

In a carefully considered review of *The Suffragette Movement*, the constitutionalist, Ray Strachey, wrote: "There is much bitterness in its pages, much inaccuracy and misstatement and an evident and undisguised animus against Mrs Pank- hurst and Christabel which is almost tragic in its intensity. ... As a historical document, indeed, this book is invaluable; but as a contribution to history itself it is valueless."

Documentary evidence makes it impossible to dissent from Strachey's verdict. Sylvia comes out of her own account as the heroine, martyr and a great leader. She writes so convincingly that, in several histories of the Liberal administrations, the authors state that the suffragette movement was "led by Mrs Pankhurst and her two daughters." For most of the time it was led by Christabel, Mrs Pethick Lawrence and, unofficially, by Frederick Pethick Lawrence. From the middle of 1912 it was led by Christabel.

Sylvia gives the impression that, but for her, the WSPU would have been almost exclusively middle class, for which it has been stigmatized by historians ever since. Abundant evidence exists to prove that, like the temperance movement and the Anti-Corn Law League, the suffragette campaign won support from all classes.

Sylvia's prejudices, coupled with her inabilty to consider two sides of an argument, warped her judg- ment, making her an erratic guide on the subject of politics and people. She misrepresents by omission.

To mention just one of innumerable examples, she claims to have given the lead to "a substantial share of the Socialist, Labour and Suffrage organizations" in agitating for a number of reforms. She supported all the agitations she mentions and led a demonstration for equal pay and fairer wages for women, the issue having arisen afresh from the exploitation of female munition workers.

She omits the fact that her mother, who now wielded influence in high places, had already made representations to Lloyd George on behalf on the munition workers. Partly due to her intervention Lloyd George did introduce the long-demanded minimum rate for women and, in many factories producing munitions directly under government contract, even equal pay.

We can understand Sylvia's need to prove her worth; but in feathering her nest for posterity, she laid a trap into which several historians have fallen.

Sylvia should be judged not on what she wrote when she seethed with bitterness but on her whole life, on her consistent compassion for the underdog, on the energy she expended on their behalf, whether in the mass or as individuals, on her prolific writing, and on her extraordinary courage. Fame in her own right came to her with maturity, when she was wiser and better understood the wicked ways of this world.

During her last years she enjoyed a sense of fulfilment and achievement and the love too of her son and daughter-in-law. As she put it in a letter to Christabel forwarded from Addis Ababa, "Yes, it is better for me here. I can really do something for people and they show their appreciation."

Geoffrey Smith

The Ulster parallel in the Falklands dispute

"The sticking point for us is the right of self-determination", said Mrs Thatcher on *Panorama* this week. It is a principle that she has propounded time and time again during the Falklands crisis. In any settlement the wishes of the islanders must be paramount. But obvious though this principle may seem, it has not passed *without challenge*.

Mr David Steel suggested in the Commons on April 20 that "while their wishes and interests are uppermost in our minds, the long-term issue is a paramount one for the House to resolve". A good many Conservatives privately agree.

They are afraid that beneath the sacred banner of "self-determination", 1,800 Falklanders will be given the right to decide not only their own future but also the direction of British defence and foreign policy as well. If they are given the right of veto, it is asked, might they not exercise it so as to approve only a virtual return to the *status quo ante*?

Would this not imply the permanent stationing of a sizeable British garrison on the islands? And would this not have serious consequences for Britain's role in Nato and her relations with Europe? Would not the Falkland tail be wagging the British dog with a vengence?

It is time therefore to consider what we mean by self-determination and what kind of veto, if any, the islanders should have over a settlement. The task is complicated by the fact that the concept has been used in two different senses in the course of this century. There is what might be termed positive self-determination, the right to choose which nation state to be a part of; and there is negative self-determination, the right not to have one's constitutional status changed against one's will, not be thrown out of the state to which one belongs or to be forced to join another.

The attempt to apply the first, more ambitious, form of self-determination has caused as many problems as it has solved. In the words of the American political commentator Walter Lippmann, it "can be and has been used to promote the dismemberment of practically every organized state". He was thinking of the consequences of Woodrow Wilson's efforts to promote a lasting European settlement after the First World War. Wilson's ideal was a noble one. As he put it in a famous speech to the Senate in January 1917: "No peace can last, or ought to last, which does not recognize and accept the principle that governments derive all their just powers from the consent of the governed".

As a general proposition that is unexceptionable. But it was interpreted, not least by Wilson himself, to mean the right of nationalities to belong to the state of their own preference. In a continent where the different nationalities are so mingled with one another as they are *in Europe this was a recipe* for perpetual instability. The map of Europe could not be redrawn along ethnic frontiers so as to provide a feasible pattern of states: *other factors, such as geography,* economics and history had to be taken into account as well.

The Treaty of Versailles could not faithfully apply the *doctrine of self-determination* but the propagation of the principle ensured a sense of grievance among the

Self-determination: would this mean the Falkland tail wagging the British dog with a vengeance?

national minorities who could not be part of the state of their choosing. The Munich crisis occured over the demand that the Sudeten Germans *should be taken* out of Czechoslovakia — a good example of positive self-determination, but disastrous for Czechoslovakia and disruptive for Europe.

This form of self-determination caused such problems because its claims are so ambitious that it can *sometimes ignore* other realities. It may be a fine ideal but it cannot be regarded as a binding principle. This is not, however, what is at stake over the Falklanders. The claim that needs to be enforced in their case is the more modest but more compelling one of negative self-determination, the right not to be forced to become Argentines against their will.

Mrs Thatcher has sometimes spoken in such a way as to confuse the two types of self-determination. "Britain has taken more colonial territories to independence than any other nation in the world", she said in her *Panorama* interview. "We have done it always by saying, 'now what do the people in that territory want' and we have negotiated with them a constitution. This must also apply to the islanders".

I believe that was pitching it a bit too high. We have every reason to be proud of Britain's record in granting independence to former colonies, but it is not strictly comparable to the position of the Falklanders today. Britain was then responding to the wishes of a majority of people in those territories for a change in their *constitutional status. These* decisions were examples of positive self-determination in circumstances where that was realistic and appropriate.

In this instance the Government has not taken its stand to give the islanders the constitutional status they would ideally like: otherwise it would not have resisted the demands that they should be given full British citizenship when the Nationality Act was going through Parliament. It would not now be realistic even to promise that if there are to be changes these must be more to the taste of the Falklanders than their previous position. Nor is it essential to associate them with the process of negotiation, in the way that their representatives were included in the previous negotiations with Argentina.

The principle that should apply to the Falkland Islanders is no more and no less than the guarantee that successive British governments have offered to the people of Northern Island; that their constitutional status *will not* be changed against their will. There may legitimately be attempts to persuade them to what is realistic, but ultimately they have the right to say no.

It may be objected that this is all very well, but it is simply not practical politics in the case of the Falklands. To which there are two answers. Not all principles can be enforced, but a principle does not cease to be a principle because of the difficulty of enforcing it. The Falklanders have rights which should be acknowledged, whether they are honoured or not.

Secondly, provided it is possible to recover control of the islands, it should be easier than is now widely supposed to enforce this principle in future. If the Argentines are now made to withdraw, there is unlikely to be a succession of invasions every other year.

The aid of the international community could also be enlisted. There could be an American guarantee, a United Nations force or some other arrangement. Britain could afford to be flexible over the means at this stage, provided that the principle was adequately safeguarded.

There is an international as well as national interest in securing acceptance of the rule that the people of a clearly defined territory cannot be propelled against their will from one state to another.

Fast exit from Warsaw

Warsaw

To be arrested late on a freezing December night, *transported to a camp and,* innocent of any crime, bottled off from society for three months might be deemed, even by the gnarled standards of Polish history, an *unusually unpleasant* experience. Yet as the Polish government begins to release large numbers from internment, former inmates are finding that the problems of detention are dwarfed by the delicate day-to-day moral dilemmas of surviving as a politically critical intellectual.

The result is bewilderment, with even the most sage of the Polish intelligentsia searching, child-like, for guidance. Should I emigrate, they ask — should we create a literature in exile?

Andrzej Szczypiorski is a lumpy man in his late fifties who looks as if he has been dressed at random by compassionate strangers. He was picked up on December 12, taken to Bieloleka jail for two days, then transferred to the "intellectuals' camp" at Drawsko Pomorskie. He was released shortly before Easter. Mr Szczypiorski was an official in the Polish Pen Club but was never in Solidarity; his internment seems to have been based on the fact that he is a free-*thinking novelist, scriptwriter* and occasional political commentator who drew logical conclusions about the failures of the system.

He has published 20 books, all of which, apart from the latest *The Polish Ordeal* (published in England by Croom Helm) have all appeared in Poland.

In short, Mr Szczypiorski is as fine a representative of the Polish intelligentsia as it is possible to find. Over the last weekend we talked at length about the central question of whether it is possible to write in Poland under martial law. The Polish government has already signalled that it wants to solve its self-created internment problem by encouraging internees to leave the country.

That is not a euphemism: the government stresses that those who leave will do so of their own free will and not be deported.

So far about 700 present and recently released internees *have applied to* leave (apparently 67 of them want to go to Britain but some are uncertain about whether the British government is prepared to take them). On April 14, Mr Szczypiorski was called in to see General Czeslaw Kiszczak, the Interior Minister and was told that he and his family could leave, with some of their property. The General seemed to express genuine regret that such an offer should have been necessary.

"Both he and Rakowski, the Deputy Premier, and a former colleague of Mr Szczypiorski, said that Poland needed its creative people, that I should perhaps come back after two or three years when the difficult times are over. I believe them when thay say that but it is the officials lower down that worry me."

Certainly, the cordiality of these ministers was not matched by the army newspaper *Zolnierz Wolnosci* which accused Mr Szczypiorski of "I don't know what, being an imperialist lackey, working for the Japanese secret service". There are mixed signals from the party and as a result more and more interned intellectuals are seriously considering emigration.

Mr Szczypiorski, and others of his temperament, could choose "inner emigration" — that is, stay in Poland and become a petrol-pump attendant. He could abandon his doubts and principles and write for the *official press or he could* write but not be published, except in the underground publications, or he could go abroad and write for people who, in the main, do not understand what he is writing — or become a petrol pump attendant in the West.

He cannot delay much longer lest the passport offer is withdrawn, but he is not hopeful. "Frankly," he says, "if it is a choice between washing cars in Warsaw and washing cars in Frankfurt Am Main, I am going to Frankfurt."

But there are other problems, logistical ones: he is old, unemployable perhaps. He speaks German (learned in concentration camps) but no French, his wife speaks French but no German. There is great nervousness, great indecision.

Compared to this, life in internment had a remarkable simplicity about it. By all accounts Drawsko was the best of the camps, housing several dozen intellectuals, three to a cell. Across the lake, Edward Gierek and some of his former ministers were, at least until the end of February interned in slightly more luxurious circumstances.

A female barber, having cut the ex-leader's hair, would go to the Drawsko camp to cut the hair of his former critics. The daily rhythm at Drawsko was straightforward enough: up at seven, roll call and breakfast, lunch at 2.30, supper at seven, roll call at eight, lights out at 11.

Supper, the main meal, was bread and fatty bacon or ham. Food parcels were allowed, though: officially three kilos a month, in fact as many as one's relatives could send. The inmates organized themselves along the lines of a highbrow Samuel Smiles. In the mornings, Dr Bronislav Geremek, a former close adviser to Lech Walesa, would teach French, Mr Szczypiorski German, another scholar English.

In the afternoon, each intellectual would lecture on his speciality: semiotics, cosmology, the philosophy of science, even the technique of drafting railway timetables. Between times, they discussed endlessly the future of Solidarity and came to one conclusion: the union had to be revived, Walesa was essential to its renaissance, it should accept certain self-limitations.

As soon as Mr Szczypiorski left the cloisters of Drawsko he entered a world at considerable variance with the picture painted within the camp; the rules had been changed, apparently immutably. The room for manoeuvre imagined by former Solidarity advisers in their confinement no longer *existed. Poland had changed* and rather than change with it, Mr Szczypiorski is actively considering emigration, although he knows it might be a long time before he is *allowed to return.*

"It can be done — our greatest living poet, Czeslaw Milosz, and our greatest living philosopher, Leszek Kolakowski, *have been in* exile for decades".

But there is some despair in this: Mr Szczpiorski's life is a classically Polish one. His father was a young man in the Poland of General Pilsudski before the war, and became part of the Polish government in exile in London during the war. He returned in 1956 when Mr Wladyslaw Gomulka came to power, and helped, in his eighties to found KOR, the dissident group, in 1976.

His son spent time in Sachsenhausen concentration camp and has seen his star rise and fall in the long march from Stalinist post-war Poland to martial law. *That is a lot of luggage to* leave behind.

Roger Boyes

The world comes to Main Street

Knoxville, Tennessee

The World's Fair conjures up exciting images of futuristic cities, international cuisine and cosmopolitan nightspots. Paris, Brussels, New York and Montreal have all held one. This year the World's Fair will be held in Knoxville, a city with a population of a mere 180,000.

It's as if a coronation was held in Preston or the Cup Final in Tring. Nevertheless, today, through the turnstiles on a 72-acre site — once a decaying industrial area in the city centre — will pour the first of 11 million people to see the fair, whose theme is "Energy turns the world".

Here they know more about the kind of energy you get from swigging the moonshine made to age-old recipes up in the Tennessee hills. But Knoxville is the home of the Tennessee Valley Authority Power Company, hence the fair's theme.

The town's nightspots run more to clog dancing and country fiddling than discos, and their idea of *haute cuisine* is hickory smoked barbecue ribs, country fried chicken, collard greens, red-eye gravy and grits — a southern staple which looks and tastes like coarse semolina.

Knoxville is southern, but it is not the South of magnolias, mint juleps and ante-bellum mansions. The hilly terrain did not lend *itself to columned splendour* — think *Beverly Hillbillies,* not *Gone With The Wind.* Even within Tennessee most of the attention goes to Nashville, home of country *music and the Grand Old Opry,* and Memphis, famous for its Elvis Presley shrines. Knoxville is as unlikely a site for a World's Fair as could could be imagined.

The "Good ole boys", the businessmen who turn the wheels in Knoxville, did not know you are supposed to be sophisticated and urbane to run a World's Fair. *They* simply floated multi-million dollar bonds to finance the project, then went out and sold the idea, first to President Carter, then to the world. Now to Knoxville are coming representatives of 21 nations, bringing with them everything from chunks of the Great Wall of China for the Chinese pavilion — the fair's biggest coup; China



The Sunsphere, shining down on Knoxville.

had not taken part in a fair since 1904 — to camels and desert sand for Saudi Arabia's display.

Australia has set up a family of windmills to irrigate the local terrain and a variety of Australian vegetation. Britain's exhibit includes the cross-Channel power link and the Dinorwic scheme — using cheap electricity at night to pump water into a mountain reservoir, and using the water to produce electricity during peak demand

All the pavilions will be clustered around Knoxville's very own Eiffel Tower — the space needle, a 266ft sun sphere on top of which fairgoers can dine in a revolving restaurant.

It is high spring in Knox*ville and the dogwoods and* azaleas are blossoming all over town. The natives are excited about President Reagan's appearance at the opening today and old build*ings that have* been languishing into ruin for nearly 100 years have been spruced up.

However, not everyone is delighted with the town's coup. Professor Joe Dodd of the University of Tennessee, who spearheaded the oppositon to the fair from the beginning, continues to accuse Jake Butcher — chairman and chief executive of Knoxville's United American Bank and the fair's chief instigator — of benefiting financially.

Many of the doubters, *however, have since* fallen into line. A visiting Washington journalist described Knoxville as a "scruffy little city", and that was all it took.

The Hyatt Regency Hotel named its lunchtime special "the scruffy little city's smokehouse sandwich". The whole thing became a question of civic pride.

Butcher and his fellow promoters say the fair will generate $500m in business for the town. More than half the 20,000 new jobs the fair is expected to produce will be permanent.

Will the *whole* thing be worth the effort? Most agree that little serious business will be done at this fair. It's *strictly* for fun. There will be the usual amusement park rides — the world's biggest ferris wheel and a double loop roller coaster. There will be plenty of hot dogs and candy floss.

But this is country music territory and the real stars could well be the bluegrass bands, the hot gospellers, the banjo players, the fiddlers and the country singers from all over the South.

One thing is certain: Knoxville, which one visiter described as "not so much sleepy as comatose," *will never be the same again.* It is getting accustomed to Japanese businessmen in dark suits and berobed shaikhs running all over the town. And if the occasional voice is heard asking who will use all the new hotel rooms when the fair is over, and who will pay if takings are not as big as expected, for the most part the people of Knoxville are enjoying the fact that, for the first time since the famous siege battle in the Civil War, their city is truly on the map.

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A FRIEND INDEED

From the first day of the Falklands crisis, the United States assumed the role of mediator for a combination of reasons. It did not wish to sully its relations with Latin America in general and Argentina in particular by openly backing a European nation in the western hemisphere; and the United States administration maintained that it could more effectively bring its influence to bear in favour of a peaceful settlement by acting as an honest broker rather than a partisan.

The British Government publicly and repeatedly welcomed American mediation, whether for reasons of prudence or genuine enthusiasm. It is certainly good that the attempt was made, and the course pursued with the zeal that Mr Haig brought to the task. Otherwise there would have been critics who maintained that American mediation would have brought a swift peace if only it had been tried. Now it has been tried as hard and for as long as could reasonably have been expected, without of itself producing the necessary result. The pressures that could properly be exerted by a mediator did not bring Argentina to accept a just and satisfactory settlement.

Now the United States is throwing in its weight on Britain's side, this is doubly welcome. It is good for Anglo-American relations which would have suffered if it had seemed that the United States was clinging to the role of mediator well beyond the point at which there was any reasonable chance of Mr Haig's shuttle diplomacy producing a negotiated settlement. There would have been the impression then that the American administration was more interested in saving itself from embarrassment that in securing a fair outcome. The decision must also be reassuring elsewhere in Europe, showing as it does, that when it comes to the hard point, the United States is a friend and ally which can be counted on.

It is also encouraging because it means that far more pressure will now be brought to bear upon Argentina. Britain has responded to the seizure of the Falklands with impressive resolution. The mobilization of the task force has been a technical achievement of a high order. The policy of gradually increasing the military pressure on the Argentine forces step by step has shown that strength was being applied with judgment. But real power in the Western world is exercised nowadays by the United States. If it stands aside, then an aggressor has to face only a small proportion of the strength — military, economic and psychological — that could and should be mobilized against it.

There will even now be no direct military involvement of American forces, but that was never expected. Without going so far as that, there is a good deal that the United States can and will now do to help Britain's cause. Mr Haig said yesterday that the administration "will respond positively for requests for materiel support for British forces". There is much that can be provided in terms of logistical back-up for a task force operating some 8000 miles from home. In-flight refuelling could be given to British planes. Tanker supplies could be made available. Any shortage that suddenly became evident could be met much more swiftly with American assistance than if everything had to be supplied from Britain.

A variety of sanctions will now be imposed upon Argentina. President Reagan has ordered the suspension of all military exports there, and "the withholding of certification of Argentine eligibility for military sales". Over a period of time this would be bound to have a serious effect upon Argentine military capacity. The strictly economic sanctions will have both an immediate and delayed effect. The suspension of bank credits and guarantees, and of commodity credit corporation guarantees, will probably take a few months to have their full impact. But the mere imposition of these restrictions must be a severe blow to confidence in an economy that was already in grave difficulties. Altogether this is a strong package of measures that the administration has announced, an indication that when Mr Reagan does move he moves firmly.

Beyond the measures themselves there is the psychological effect of the United States having now taken sides. When Mr Pym meets Mr Haig in Washington this weekend he will be speaking to him once again as an ally and a partner; not as a neutral personage. That is how it ought to be between any British Foreign Secretary and any Secretary of State. It will add confidence to a British enterprise that has never been lacking in determination.

This should strengthen the British resolve to persist in the strategy of steadily increasing the pressure on Argentina. That pressure will now be immeasurably greater because the junta must surely realize that the United States could not afford now to let Britain lose over the Falklands without itself losing respect in Latin America and elsewhere. It should therefore improve the chances of a peaceful solution, and Mr Pym's visit to the Secretary-General of the United Nations in New York will also be an indication of Britain's overwhelming desire for a peaceful settlement, if possible. But the American decision to stand alongside Britain will make it easier for the Government to insist upon the principles for which it has taken action. This is good not only for the alliance but also for those who believe that aggression, from whatever quarter it may come, must always be resisted.

THAILAND'S ROLE IN THE FRONT LINE

Thailand's military rulers are nowadays more likely to see themselves as guardians of a still frail but budding democracy than the dictators of the past, so no savour of distaste diluted the welcome to Thailand's Prime Minister, General Prem Tinsulanond on his visit to London this week. From London he has gone on to Paris and Brussels, a mark of the close and now regular ties that link the European Community with the Association of South-East Asian nations (Asean).

General Prem represents a country that is in some ways unique in the region and certainly one of the most important in South-East Asia. From being an area supposedly under threat of communist expansion ever since the war of French withdrawal from Indo-China, South-East Asia is now a well-knit zone of successful economic growth and relatively mature nationalism. When Lord Carrington toured the area earlier this year he took with him a posse of businessmen, bent on expansion no doubt, but no political extremist has yet been found to castigate trade expansion.

Thailand's obvious claim to uniqueness is that — by Anglo-French agreement — the country escaped the rapacity of late nineteenth century colonialism. The fact is obvious: the implications are less appreciated. Not only does Thailand live in a sense of territorial and administrative continuity symbolised by a still healthy and respected monarchy. Thailand's ex-colonial colleagues in Asean are all new states, in the sense of finding their present territorial, ethnic and social mixes posing a new problem in nation building. Even Indonesia's substantial political heritage, though it may influence, cannot simply define or shape the country now ruled from Jakarta.

Moreover, the Thais conserve a better sense of where they are. Their links with China are real; even though they were attenuated in the colonial era, they have never lost their significance to either side, whereas in the minds of Malavsians and Indonesians China is associated primarily with the Chinese communities in their midst. An important relic of the past is Thailand's old rivalry with Vietnam. Thailand's relationship with its Vietnamese-dominated and Vietnamese communist-inspired neighbours of Laos and Cambodia is one of the disastrous legacies of French rule, in so far as that rule evicted Thai influence from Cambodia and Laos (countries closer in every sense to Thailand) and freely allowed Vietnamese immigration and influence into both countries. While the cooperation of Asean in resolving the difficulties faced on this communist frontier has been helpful, it remains Thailand that is most involved, by both contiguity and past relations, with Vietnam and with China. Since the Indo-China war finally came to end in 1975, the fear of further dominoes falling in South-East Asia has not been a major source of world anxiety. The credit for that goes to Asean and not the least among its members to Thailand.

Claiming benefits

From Dr Z. Mahmood

Sir, Pat Healy's report in *The Times* (April 16) points out a serious blemish which continues to mar the concept of "caring society". In spite of repeated attempts by the Government to encourage people to claim their rights, an ever increasing number of sick, disabled and aged people are failing to claim full supplementary benefits which they are entitled to, resulting in a £355m "saving" (choice of this word reeks of insensitivity, perhaps "unpaid debt", a more apologetic phrase, would have been more appropriate).

The intention of the Government and the Local Authorities to publish (yet another) explanatory leaflet is unlikely to publicise effectively, who is eligible and who is not. In my opinion, one of the major reasons for the inefficacy of explanatory leaflets and guide booklets is that they are written in a language not fully comprehensible to the "average" sick, disabled and aged individuals.

In Britain, the generally acceptable level of "literacy" considered sufficient for an individual to "to get by" in everyday life is a Reading Age of nine years (that of an average nine year-old schoolchild). However, most of the Government leaflets require a much higher literacy level than that. Various investigations have shown that the Reading Age required for the Family Income Supplement Leaflet is between 14-17 years, Family Income Allowance Leaflet (for Immigrants) 13½-18½ and Free Prescriptions Leaflet 15½-17+. Such information is available for a number of similar reading materials, eg Income Tax Return Guide, Claim Form for Industrial Injury, Fire Regulations, Disinfectant Bottle Labels and so on. In each case, the literacy level required to read the documents, let alone comprehend them, is much too high for the people to whom they are addressed.

Therefore, in order to inform the public of their rights, it should be ensured that such communications are written in a language which can be easily read and comprehended by the "average" person. Such a thoughtful policy will be greatly appreciated by the general public, and indeed, will enable a lot more people to claim what is their legitimate right.

Yours faithfully,
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5 Oakley Terrace,
Glasgow.

Kissinger visit

From Mr John Pilger

Sir, As the journalist to whom Richard Davy and Edward Mortimer referred in their report about the visit of Henry Kissinger (April 28), I would like to make several points before Kissinger and his attendants in the Press are allowed to completely re-write recent history. Davy and Mortimer wrote: "Dr Kissinger has been called 'prickly' by some, and further attempts to needle him were made at the press conference, where one journalist asked why this book included such a long defensive appendix refuting the charges made by William Shawcross about American bombing in Cambodia."

Davy and Mortimer conducted what is described as an interview with Kissinger, but they asked not a single critical question, least of all about Kissinger's own credibility. Such questions are apparently known as "needling". Indeed, the men from *The Times* quickly added that Dr Kissinger's "humour seemed to have recovered from that onslaught" (my question to him) and they went on to describe William Shawcross's charges against Kissinger as a controversy which no longer raged. How comforting it all must have been for both interviewee and interviewers!

Alas, while controversy may no longer rage, truth does. Kissinger, in his latest, huge and apologetic book's appendix, fails to refute Shawcross's central and meticulously documented charge that he and Nixon secretly and illegally conducted a massive bombing campaign against neutral Cambodia. Surely, journalism is demeaned by deference to the kind of pretentious "statesmanship" affected by Henry Kissinger; or is this only understood by those, like myself, who have seen the terrible human consequences of his "diplomacy", in Indochina and elsewhere?

Yours faithfully,
JOHN PILGER,
57 Hambalt Road, SW4

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Housing renewal in inner cities

From Mr David Bebb and others

Sir, As directors of the major inner city housing associations, we welcome Michael Heseltine's wholehearted involvement in working to save these decaying areas (report, April 15). His personal commitment has undoubtedly affected the climate in which we and others work for inner city renewal. We share his belief that they can be saved.

But in trying to halt the collapse of community life, as Mr Heseltine himself puts it, "many policies conflict". The decline in Government's programme of investment through the Housing Corporation, which is now down from 35,000 homes to 20,000, has greatly reduced our contribution to inner city housing renewal.

Moreover, the effect of a range of government policies has been to shift the emphasis of this much smaller programme away from improving and rehabilitating homes in the most deprived inner city areas. New initiatives and priorities, although valuable in themselves, have combined to take away resources from the most urgent of housing priorities, the improvement of living conditions for the disadvantaged in these areas.

Currently, these programmes have little priority and the recently announced annual allocations to housing associations from the Housing Corporation confirm this trend. They show no specific programme at all for inner city rehabilitation, which is swept up into a category of "Other Needs". At the same time reductions to our work intensify the problems of unemployment, particularly among the unskilled, in these tense neighbourhoods.

Not only are we suffering from these reduced programmes, but this year we will also be unable to get on with improvement works to hundreds of our existing properties, many of them standing empty, because the Housing Corporation cannot finance the necessary works. The ultimate costs will be much greater after a further period of continued neglect.

Over the last 15 years, the work of inner city housing associations has received considerable recognition and support from successive Governments of differing persuasions. It was we who virtually pioneered rehabilitation in inner city areas. We have no doubts that our work accords with the objectives so forcefully advocated by Mr Heseltine in his article of April 15, but when can we expect the decisions of his Department and Housing Corporation to fall into line with his own priorities?

Yours faithfully,
DAVID BEBB
JOHN COWARD
DAVID MUMFORD
DONALD HOODLESS
PAUL THOMPSON
MICHAEL SMITH
ALAN KILBURN
ANDREW MALONE
MIKE AGER
DON WOOD
CATHERINE MEREDITH
JANET HAMMOND
PETER NORMAN
BILL MARTIN
JIM COULTER
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26 St Pancras Road, NW1.
April 29.

Darwinian evolution

From Mr Nigel Vaux Halliday

Sir, Christopher Booker's doubts (feature, April 19) about the evolution of species still stand. For Dr Turner (April 22) must either show us, according to his first suggestion, to what alternative use an animal would have put its half-evolved wing; or persuade us, according to his second suggestion, that it is reasonable to assume that animals developed into birds in a single genetic change leaving no intermediate stages.

Or to use a different example, he must either show us what use is a hole in the head before the eye is formed; or he must persuade us that we can reasonably believe that the hole in the head and the appearance of a functioning eye happened in a single genetic change.

Dr Turner is right to say that explanations exist for intermediate cases: but the explanations do not yet convince the sceptical.

Yours faithfully.
NIGEL HALLIDAY,
16A Darell Road,
Kew,
Surrey.
April 22.

Venus observed?

From Mr Vernon Dawson

Sir, I am one of the many who enjoy Patrick Moore's television topics. However, is he right in saying in *The Times* of Saturday, April 24: "Venus last passed across the face of the sun in 1882 so that there can be nobody living who can remember it."?

By coincidence, my local paper on the same day reported that Mrs Grace Jeffery had her 104th birthday. She is a sprightly old lady and spent her birthday on a visit to Hampton Court and at her favourite restaurant.

As we all, I think, remember things which happen when we were three years old and up, might not she have remembered, or at least heard discussion, 100 years ago?

Yours faithfully,
VERNON DAWSON,
149 Park Road,
Teddington,
Middlesex.
April 24.

CORRECTION

In a leading article on April 16 it was stated that Jerusalem is regarded by Muslims as their second most holy city after Mecca. In fact most Muslims regard Jerusalem as the third holy city, after Mecca and Medina.

Christian dilemma on threat of war

From the Reverend P. G. Atkinson

Sir, All Christians must pray for peace in the Falkland Islands, and must deplore the warmongering of some of our fellow-countrymen. The reported opinion of Mr Anthony Marlow, MP (*The Times*, April 21), that the morale of the armed forces would suffer if the naval task force were to return home without having been used, is a particularly shameful instance of this. That being said, however, Christians are not committed to the pacifist opinions advocated in your columns this morning (April 21) by the Reverend Gordon Wilson.

Pacifism, like voluntary poverty or the celibate state, is a precept of the Gospel, with the practical implications of which the Christian conscience must always wrestle. Like those other disciplines, however, pacifism may equally become a way of evading serious attention to the moral dilemmas presented by the society in which Christians find themselves placed.

In the present dispute, the British Government has a prima facie case, which the pacifist is bound to answer. The homeland of a small and defenceless community has been occupied against the wishes of that community by a powerful military regime with a discreditable record in the matter of human rights. The British Government has an undeniable responsibility for the freedom and welfare of the Islanders, and is at present seeking to discharge this responsibility by diplomatic means.

But diplomacy, to be effective, requires bargaining power; and such power the Government hopes to secure, in the first place by pressure of economic sanction, and, as a last resort, by military threat. Such is the Government's position; and, prima facie, it is a morally defensible one.

The pacifist must surely demonstrate, either, that the facts of the case are other than I have described; or, that there is some other practical method by which the Government may discharge its responsibility to the Islanders; or, that the total damage to human life (not something to be accounted merely in terms of immediate bloodshed) which is likely to result from the Government's present course of action will outweigh the good it is trying to achieve.

Perhaps the pacifist can make out such a case; but it has not been made yet. Mr. Wilson's picturesque proposal that the United Kingdom and Argentina should collaborate in erecting an abbey on the Islands as a shrine of peace, does nothing to assist in the resolution of the problem, or to encourage the rest of us to take seriously the pacifist's position.

Yours sincerely,
P. G. ATKINSON,
The Glebe House,
6 Rectory Grove,
Clapham, SW4.

From Mr David Evans

Sir, I was surprised that you ventured into the debate on "The Just War" in your leading article last Saturday. While admiring your honesty, however, I must confess it seemed to me too deep and personal an issue for a newspaper to comment upon.

Having said that, there are two comments I would like to make on what you said:

1. You say "there are two *respectable* traditions; one of total pacifism, the other based on the just war . . ."

I think you should be more willing to acknowledge a *third* tradition which is represented best by Christian CND.

Surely that position is an honourable one as it derives from a conviction that a "just" nuclear war is a contradiction in terms in that it cannot limit killing to (in your own words) "those directly involved . . . with the force that has to be resisted."

2. Surely the Christian, in understanding he is "a citizen of two cities" (as you put it), should be able to see better than most that status, national sovereignty, teaching an aggressor a lesson, are all less important than seeking a compromise with the Argentinians which allows the Falkland Islanders interests to be fully protected, and yet at the same time can be accepted by a military junta which in its weakness must "save face".

Yours faithfully,
DAVID EVANS,
Rivendell,
3 Green Lane Close,
Chertsey,
Surrey.
April 27.

Added value concept

From Mr J. W. West

Sir, The aspirations of Sir Raymond Pennock (feature, March 23) and of Professor Beresford Dew (letter, April 15) might be brought together and the aims of both achieved if Great Britain were to use added value on a national scale for the regulation of pay, investment and taxation with a concomitant statutory obligation to publish a wide range of information in support, as in Japan.

Company profits are an arbitrary concept, depending to some degree on accounting conventions. Moreover, maximising profits does not require *maximising* wealth creation; often the reverse. Added value on the other hand is *not* an arbitrary concept, and, since it is a measure of wealth created, maximising it necessarily means maximising wealth creation. And pay, of course, comes from wealth created, not from profits.

One particular benefit of the added value concept is that it emphasises the relationship between pay and investment and so encourages investment. A feature of Japanese industry is the very much higher capital investment per employee than obtains in British industry, a difference which is directly attributable to the use of the added value concept in Japan, and which accounts for the growing prosperity of the Japanese worker.

Further advantages of the added value concept are that it provides a very strong incentive to wealth creation (since pay is related to added value), encourages high quality (since value depends upon quality) and discourages waste (since waste reduces added value). It also highlights the truth that prosperity requires the combined contributions of management, employees and capital.

In this connection it was unfortunate that Professor Beresford Dew should refer disparagingly to shareholders when what is needed above all is harmony. The Japanese experience shows very clearly how vital to prosperity is the contribution of capital.

There would, of course, be very great difficulties in introducing the added value concept in Great Britain, but if the Japanese succeeded there is no reason to think the British could not. It would undoubtedly bring great prosperity in its train.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN W. WEST,
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France.
April 19.

Questions from juries

From Dr J. Shackleton-Bailey

Sir, Your correspondent Mr Robert Whiting (April 23) draws attention to the difficulties of jurymen arising out of their inability to obtain clarification of witnesses' evidence as a case in court proceeds. That is permitted in coroner's courts, and indeed it was my invariable practice to invite the jury to put a question to each witness after his evidence had been heard and solicitors had had their opportunity to question it.

The coroner of course is the judge of whether such questions should be allowed, as indeed most of them are in spite of the fact that sometimes solicitors simply felt their clients had been satisfied that they were being represented and some jurymen just could not resist a temptation to make themselves heard.

Nevertheless in my experience this was required in pursuit of justice and the manifestation that it is being done; whilst above all, jurymen retire to consider their verdict with no doubts remaining as to the evidence after it has been summed up by the coroner. In other courts where counsel take care of clients' interests there should be such opportunity for jurymen to seek clarification, and the time spent might well be saved afterwards in the jury room.

Yours etc.
J. SHACKLETON-BAILEY,
The Old Mill,
Blockley,
Moreton-in-Marsh,
Gloucestershire.
April 23.

Facts about leeches

From Dr J. M. Elliott

Sir, The long-running saga of the medicinal leech has now gone full circle. The original article (October 21, 1981) on "The leech in peril of extinction" was partially based of a paper by Dr R. T. Sawyer in Oryx. In the latest contribution (April 27), Professor Payton assures us that the medicinal leech still exists in Britain and he cites Dr Sawyer as his source of information!

As there appears to be some confusion amongst your correspondents on this subject, perhaps the following facts may be of interest to your readers. There are 16 species of freshwater leeches in the British Isles; 11 feed on invertebrates (snails, worms etc), two suck the blood of fish, and one sucks the blood of water-birds. The remaining two species suck the blood of vertebrates. One species, *Haementeria costata*, has been recorded only once in the British Isles (in 1979) and its chief hosts are the European terrapin and water-birds. It occasionally attacks man and was used as a medicinal leech in the Crimea. The other species, *Hirudo medicinalis*, is known to occur in several localities in Britain but is now absent from Ireland.

A monograph on British freshwater leeches was published by the Freshwater Biological Association in 1979 and includes a key to species with a review of their life cycles and ecology. An atlas of their known distribution in the British Isles was published by the Association in January. Other leeches, especially the horse leech, are frequently mistaken for the medicinal leech, but a genuine specimen of the latter is certainly as sanguivorous as its continental relatives.

Yours faithfully,
J. M. ELLIOTT,
Freshwater Biological Association,
The Ferry House,
Ambleside,
Cumbria.

Getting a share of lending right

From Lord Willis

Sir, It was the clear wish of Parliament that public lending right should benefit authors and authors alone. The publishers played no part in the long campaign to establish PLR and neither the Act nor the scheme for its implementation makes any mention of publishers.

However, now that PLR has become law and there is a prospect of money for authors from 1983-84 onwards, a few disreputable publishers are using the back door to secure for themselves a share of the small pool of money that the Government has made available.

The method is simple. Authors are being told that unless they agree to give the publisher a share of their earnings from PLR their books will not be published. Some publishers are asking for as much as 50 per cent, others for 25 per cent.

Of course, no publisher would dare to make such a demand of a highly successful author, who could simply take his books elsewhere. So this imposition falls mainly on the poorer authors, the very people for whom PLR was designed.

I am glad to say that the majority of publishers have distanced themselves from this behaviour, preferring to leave PLR where it belongs — to the authors. As for the minority, there are several good old English words which could serve to describe their conduct.

One of them is blackmail.

Yours faithfully,
WILLIS,
Chairman, Authors' Lending and Copyright Society,
House of Lords.
April 26.

Bankside Leviathans

From Mr A. C. Rodgers

Sir, I was somewhat shocked to read the article by Simon Jenkins (April 23) on the Green Giant competition. In the event that assessors should agree with your learned journalist and select Mr Farrell's "ultimate architectural joke", I would assume the burden of the joke will rest on the pension funds.

It is a deplorable situation when public money is put into what may become a rather short-lived joke appealing only to an architectural elite. I for one cannot see the funny side.

Yours faithfully,
A. C. RODGERS,
24 Ossulton Road, SE1.

Prevention is better

From Mr J. M. F. Clarke

Sir, Miss Edmundson (April 26) requests that car manufacturers place a little padding on the back of head-restraints. This would only soften a blow which is preventable.

Rear passenger seat belts are designed to stop such injuries as the one described.

Yours faithfully,
J. M. F. CLARKE,
The Middlesex Hospital,
Mortimer Street, W.1.

Countryside trust

From Mr Montague Keen

Sir, The logic of the Chairman of the Exmoor Society (April 21) is enchanting, and very typical of well-intentioned conservationists with their feet firmly on the clouds.

Mr Guy Somerset rightly points to the serious difficulty in finding public money to compensate farmers who may be restricted from gainful activities on their land in order to satisfy what some conservationist bodies quite sincerely believe to be the superior interests of safeguarding certain flora and fauna. He commends the solution of outright purchase of land by responsible public bodies. He accepts, however, that it would be politically impossible for the national parks authority to raise this money — at the expense of other rate-based services already under severe pressure; he acknowledges that the National Trust cannot find more money for this purpose.

He might have added, and I am sure he would agree, that two of the other quangos, the Countryside Commission and the Nature Conservancy Council, find themselves seriously starved of cash as it is and could not possibly contemplate any such huge burden.

And yet he calmly recommends the creation of a consortium of such bodies, private and public, to take the form of a special trust. In some magic, but unspecified, way the cross-fertilization of these individually impecunious bodies will make available "adequate funds which are so conspicuously lacking at present". Hey presto!

Yours faithfully,
MONTAGUE KEEN,
School Barn Farm,
Pentlow,
Sudbury, Suffolk.

Con fuoco

From the Reverend D. G. Richards.

Sir, In 1973 there was a concert and organ recital in the church of SS Peter and Paul, Neath. Next the church was the fire station. During the playing of a piece by Bach the fire siren sounded; with great presence of mind and skill the organist changed key with the siren and earned spontaneous applause. Not true Bach but great fun.

Yours faithfully,
DEREK RICHARDS,
The Rectory,
Barmouth, Merioneth.



COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
April 30: The Prince of Wales, Colonel Welsh Guards, this morning accepted the Freedom of Carmarthen on behalf of the Regiment.

His Royal Highness was subsequently entertained at luncheon at The Queen Elizabeth Cambria School and afterwards toured the Carmarthen Leisure Centre.

His Royal Highness this evening attended a dinner given by the Asian Society in Wales at the City Hall, Cardiff.

The Prince of Wales, attended by Major John Winter, travelled in the Royal Train.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, was present this evening at the National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs Golden Jubilee Convention Ball at the Winter Gardens, Blackpool.

Her Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Lancashire (Mr Simon Towneley) and the President of the Federation (Sir Henry Plumb).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, attended by the Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE
April 30: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at the One-Act Play Festival of the Scottish Community Drama Association, of which Her Royal Highness is Patron, which was held at Pitlochry Theatre on the occasion of their Golden Jubilee.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight, was attended by The Hon. Mrs Wills and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron and Trustee of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, will attend a dinner of the Grand Order of Water Rats at Grosvenor House on June 3.

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester will attend a reception given by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission and Commonwealth-Italian Joint Committee at St James's Palace, London, on May 13.

The Duchess of Gloucester, as patron, Association for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus, will attend the association's annual ball at the Intercontinental Hotel, London, on May 11.

The Duchess of Gloucester will attend a dinner given by the Basketmakers' Company at the Innholders' Hall, London, on May 19.

Lady Sarah Armstrong-Jones is 18 today.

The President of the Republic of Ireland is 59 tomorrow.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Dame Margery Perham will be held at the University Church of St Mary the Virgin, Oxford, at 2.30 today.

Fortcoming marriages

Mr G. F. H. Farmer and Miss N. Stevens
The engagement is announced between Garry, only son of Mr and Mrs F. Farmer, of Tipton, West Midlands, and Nicola, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Stevens, of Rainham, Kent.

Mr C. A. Michie and Miss A. M. J. Brabants
The engagement is announced between Colin Alexander, son of Mr and Mrs W. D. Michie, of Salisbury, Zimbabwe, and Anne-Marie Johanna, daughter of Dr and Mrs U. Brabants, of Lubumbashi, Zaire.

Mr P. A. Young and Miss L. Mallinson
The engagement is announced between Paul Antony, elder son of Mr and Mrs L. A. Young, of Orpington, Kent, and Lorraine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs E. W. Mallinson, of Broomhill, Glasgow.

Latest appointments

The Secretary of State for the Environment has appointed the following to be additional district auditors (the names of the authorities with which they will be concerned in parentheses): Mr R. J. Walls (Derby City Council), Mr R. Legge (London Borough of Newham), Mr A. Hardcastle (London Borough of Tower Hamlets), Mr J. Ellam (Wolverhampton Borough Council), and Mr D. G. Burgoyne (South Hams District Council).

Mrs Shreela Flather, Mr Denis Rodgers, and Dr Richard Rathbone, to be part-time members of the Police Complaints Board for three years from today.

Major-General Carl H Cathey, jnr, to be Third Air Force Commander and senior USAF officer in the United Kingdom, in succession to Major-General Walter H Baxter III.

Mr J. R. Garrood housemaster and head of physics at Sevenoaks School, Kent, to be headmaster of Stafford Independent Grammar School.

Service luncheon

73 Engineer Regiment (V)
Major-General Peter Shapland, current Honorary Colonel 73 Engineer Regiment (V) dined with former commanding officers and the former honorary colonel of the regiment in London yesterday.

Luncheon

HM Government
Lord Belstead, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon given in honour of the Prime Minister of the Faroe Islands, Mr P. Ellefsen, at 1 Carlton Gardens.

Dinners

British Academy of Forensic Sciences
The Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, delivered the inaugural Lund Lecture on legal aid at the Law Society last night. Dr William A. R. Thomson, president of the academy, who was in the chair, later entertained the Lord Chancellor at dinner. Among others present were:
Lord Justice Ormrod, Lord Justice Lawton, Sir David Napley, Professor J M Cameron, Professor B E Dodd and the President of The Law Society.

St Edward's School Society
Mr W. Bristow Stevenson presided at a London dinner for members of the St Edward's School Society and their ladies held last night at the Army and Navy Club. The Warden of St Edward's School and Mrs Phillips were the chief guests and Mr Terence Henderson, president, was also present.

Service dinners

Ordnance Board
Officers of the Ordnance Board and their ladies held their annual dinner last night at RAF West Drayton. The Principal guest was Group Captain S. E. Fawson, retiring secretary of the board. Colonel B. G. Florence presided, and Rear-Admiral R. G. Baylis also spoke.

Cambridge University Air Squadron
Air Marshal Sir Charles Ness, Air Member for Personnel, and Professor F. H. Hinsley, Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge University, were the guests of honour at the annual dinner of the Cambridge University Air Squadron held last night at Selwyn College, Cambridge. Squadron Leader B. K. Burridge, Commanding Officer, presided. Other guests included:
Air Marshal Sir Michael Beevis, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief RAF Support Command, Vice-Admiral Sir Peter Berger, Sir Owen Chadwick, Sir Arthur Marshall, Air Vice-Marshal R C F Peirse, Air Officer Commanding and Commandant RAF College Cranwell, Professor J R Jones, Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University of East Anglia, Professor A G J MacFarlane, Professor W A Mair, Dr S C Aston, Air Commodore C H Foale and Group Captain K J Lovett.

Latest wills

Sir Charles Clore leaves £14,879,003

Sir Charles Clore, of Monte Carlo, the financier, who created a business empire with interests from shoes to department stores and betting shops, left estate valued at £28,300,890 gross, £14,879,003 net.

The Official Solicitor has been appointed administrator of the estate while legal difficulties involving the Inland Revenue, Sir Charles's son, Alan, and Stype Investment, a Jersey company holding Clore assets, are resolved.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid):
Byers, Dr Denys William Aylwin, of Belford, Northumberland £201,697
Marks, Mr William John, of Llanfyrnach, Dyfed, intestate £232,175
Verney, Janette, Lady, of Roehampton, London, widow of Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Ralph Verney £83,504
Wienholt, Miss Faith, of Much Dewchurch, Herefordshire £258,795
Wood, Mr Walter Ernest, of Lockerly, Hampshire £276,434

Birthdays



Rear-Admiral John Woodward, commander of the Falklands task force, who is 50.

TODAY: Earl Bathurst, 55; Mr Frederick C. Braby, 85; Mr Steve Cauthen, 22; General Mark Clark, 86; General Sir Alan Cunningham, 95; Mr Ian Curteis, 47; Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, 53; Major-General W. G. Fryer, 82; Lord Justice Gibson, 69; Mr Justice Goulding, 72; Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, 71; Miss Donna Hartley, 27; Miss Joanna Lumley, 36; Mr Julian Mitchell, 47; Dame Felicity Peake, 69; Sir Lindsay Ring, 68; Air Commodore P. J. Sanders, 71; Mr Justice Taylor, 52; Miss Wendy Toye, 65.

TOMORROW: Air Chief Marshal Sir John Barraclough, 64; Brigadier F. C. Curtis, 84; Instructor Rear-Admiral Sir John Fleming, 78; Mr Alastair Forbes, 64; Sir Campbell Fraser, 59; Mr Henry Hall, 84; Sir James Hamilton, 59; Colonel Sir Denys Hicks, 74; Profesor R. W. K. Honeycombe, 61; the Right Rev Dr L. S. Hunter, 92; Mr Clive Jenkins, 56; Mr Malcolm Lipkin, 50; Admiral Sir Geoffrey Miles, 92; the Duke of Montrose, 75; Mr John Neville, 57; Commander Sir Allan Noble, 74; Sir Ronald Sinclair, 79; Dame Nancy Snagge, 76; Dr Benjamin Spock, 79; Mr Justice Woolf, 49.

British music success in US

Michael Collins, a clarinetist aged 19, has won the Concert Artists Guild-Amcon award at Carnegie Hall, New York. His prize is a Carnegie recital hall debut, $2,500 and the Silver Apple trophy.

Mr Collins, of Feltham, West London, who was a 1978 woodwind section winner in the BBC Young Musician of the Year competition, was one of three young British musicians selected each year to go to New York for the final of the competition. Another Briton, Barry Douglas, a pianist from Belfast, also won a Carnegie recital hall debut.

Gray's Inn

Lord Weinstock has been elected an Honorary Master of the Bench of Gray's Inn.

The Christian in pursuit of peace

The Times leading article of April 24, "The War Within", indicates the deep concern which continues to be felt, more intensely than ever in this nuclear age, about the paradox of Christians at war. Unfortunately, this article, like so many discussions of this subject, even while recognizing that "war and the Christian conscience have never been wholly reconciled", nevertheless hardly touches upon the real Christian issue.

Indeed, if the article had been written 2,000 years ago, before Christianity appeared, its argument need not have been substantially different despite its reference to the "just war" theories of St Augustine and St Thomas Aquinas. Augustine's code of war was the code of Plato and Cicero with Christian additions. The classical concept of *justum bellum*, and even more the Christian "just war", was essentially a restraint upon war, not a justification of it. It is a perversion of the "just war" idea to describe it as virtually the same as a justifiable war.

Most nations engaged in war are convinced that their action is justifiable, though it is extremely doubtful whether any war in history has ever throughout its course fulfilled the exacting requirements of the "just war" within the very limited conditions defined by St Thomas Aquinas. St Augustine required that the motive of war should be "the pursuit of peace," and very few belligerents in history have not had this motive. The motto of the US Air Force inscribed on its bomber planes, is "Peace is our Profession".

Apart from the the "just war" idea, the other "respectable tradition" in Christian thinking suggested by the leading article was total pacifism as based on the Commandment, "Thou shalt not kill", related to the Old Covenant of Moses. But total pacifism for Christians is based upon the New Commandment of total love related to the New Covenant of Jesus. New Covenant pacifism is positive and not negative as a simple and literal obedience to the command, "Thou shalt not kill" would be.

At the heart of Christianity is a commitment to the Cross as the way of self-giving love and as the only way of victory over evil, the way to reconciliation in all relationships and conflicts. This kind of pacifism is therefore certainly not an attempt to "disengage from the world of the possible". Indeed, the Cross is the direct opposite of disengagement. It represents the moment of supreme confrontation between divine power and worldly power. The victory of the former over the latter can be understood only in terms of the assertion of divine power over the worst that worldly power can do against it — a victory achieved by means which the world regards as impossible.

Belief in the total effectiveness of the *superior* force of divine love victorious on the Cross is the basis of Christian pacifism, and through faith its exercise is believed by pacifists to be the only means of achieving the aims pursued through a "just" war. That Christian view was perfectly expressed by the Pope when he visited Ireland and contemplated the violence there. He said: "Communities who stand together in their acceptance of Jesus's supreme message of love, expressed in peace and reconciliation, and in their rejection of all violence, constitute an irresistible force for achieving what many have come to regard as impossible and destined to remain so".

There could be no clearer statement of the principles which underlie Christian pacifism — and no greater authority to persuade Christians to put their whole faith in those principles. Nothing is more "impossible" in worldly terms than the Resurrection, the very foundation of the Christian faith. By such means, vindicating the power of divine love, Christian pacifists believe that the world can break out of the constraints of "the possible", which prompt the belief that only by the power of violence can mankind overcome evil and achieve desirable ends.

Such a belief leaves one with only the impossible demands of a "just war" as a means of controlling the violence thus unleashed — or with the wholly negative obedience to the command, "Thou shalt not kill", as the sole means of preserving some kind of moral purity while escaping from the problem.

Gordon Wilson
Chairman, Anglican Pacifist Fellowship

Pilgrim's progress: The Bishop of Hereford, the Right Rev John Eastaugh, striding along a country lane in preparation for his 200-mile pilgrimage this month through his diocese to commemorate the 700th anniversary of the death of Thomas of Hereford.

Church news

Appointments

The Rev B C Ashley, Rector of Dinnington, diocese of Sheffield, to be also Rural Dean of Laughton, same diocese.
The Rev A Bennett, Rector of All Saints, Grendon, diocese of Birmingham, to be Rector of Upwell, Christchurch and Welney, diocese of Ely.
Prebendary P Blake, Rector of Bruton, diocese of Bath and Wells, to be also priest-in-charge of Batcombe with Upton Noble and South Brewham, same diocese.
The Rev O R M Blatchly, Vicar of Manaccan, Helston, diocese of Truro, to be Rector of Binfield, diocese of Oxford.
The Rev M A Boxall, Vicar, Padstow, diocese of Truro, has withdrawn his acceptance of the living of Earsdon with Backworth, diocese of Newcastle.
The Rev J B Carden, priest-in-charge of St Stephen's, Landsdown, diocese of Bath and Wells, to be vicar of St Stephen's Landsdown.
The Rev L E D Clark, assistant curate of St Mary's, Arnold, diocese of Southwell, to be vicar of Brinsley with Underwood, same diocese.
The Rev R J Cooper, Curate of Street, Somerset, diocese of Bath and Wells, to be curate of Batheaston, same diocese.
The Rev B L Cox, Curate of Stantonbury, Milton Keynes, diocese of Oxford, to be Team Vicar of St Frideswide in Fenny Stratford and Water Eaton Team Ministry, same diocese.
The Rev G W Crees, Vicar of Greenham, diocese of Oxford, to be Team Rector of Marfleet, diocese of York.
The Rev R Cresswell, Hospital Chaplain at Norfolk and Norwich and Vicar of Trowse and Arminghall and Rector of St Edmund with Markshall, Caistor, diocese of Norwich, to be Vicar of St Barnabas with St Bartholomew, Heigham, same diocese.
The Rev A S W Cullis, assistant curate of Yateley, diocese of Winchester, to be Vicar of St Paul, Dorking, diocese of Guildford.
The Rev R Dixon, honorary assistant curate of St Peter and St Paul, Fakenham, diocese of Norwich, to be Assistant Priest of Brandeston with Kettleburgh, diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, and Assistant Chaplain to Framlingham College with special responsibility for Brandeston Hall.

Canon M H Drewett, Rector of Greater Corsham, diocese of Bristol: to be also Rural Dean of Chippenham, same diocease.
The Rev P C Faulkner, Vicar of St Birinus, Calcot, diocese of Oxford, to be Vicar of East and West Hagbourne, Didcot, same diocese.
The Rev C E Gale, Curate of All Saints, Hoole, diocese of Chester, to be Curate of Woodley, Reading, diocese of Oxford.
The Rev P F Green, Assistant Curate of Cirencester with Watermoor, diocese of Gloucester, to be assistant curate of Lydney with Aylburton, same diocese.
The Rev R E Grove, Vicar of St Paul, Stratford, diocese of Chelmsford: to be Rector of Theydon Garnon, same diocese.
The Rev J T Gunn, Curate of St Mary, Prestbury, diocese of Gloucester, to be Priest-in-Charge of Friday Bridge with Coldham and Elm, diocese of Ely.
The Rev S J Hadley, assistant curate of St Mark's, Mansfield, diocese of Southwell: to be Vicar of the Cowbit group of parishes, near Spalding, diocese of Lincoln.
Cannon R J Harris, Vicar of St Barnabas, Swindin, diocese of Bristol: to be also Rural Dean of Cricklade, same diocese.
The Rev J A Hathaway, Vicar of All Saints, Newmarket, diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich: to be Vicar of Acton with Great and Little Waldingfield, same diocese.
The Rev R O Hill, Priest-in-Charge of Holy Trinity, Tynemouth, diocese of Newcastle: to be Assistant Priest of St Luke, Wallsend, same diocese.
The Rev J Ironside, Vicar of Sholing, Southampton, diocese of Winchester: to be Rector of St Sampson, Island of Guernsey.

Dealers see Naples treasure and buy

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Neapolitan dealers and collectors have flocked into Christie's Rome sale room over the last three days for the sale of furnishings from the country home of the late Marchese di Pietralunga. The castle near Naples was destroyed by the earthquake two years ago and the sale contained the furniture and pictures that has survived, some damaged and rainswept.

The Pietralungas were important figures at the Neapolitan court in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth century, and the country house was visited by a succession of kings and notables. Lord Nelson and Lady Hamilton were godparents to the Pietralunga heir in 1799. The result of the historic associations and present day Neapolitans enthuiasm for it was to run prices some 40 per cent above expectations.

A fine Neapolitan bureau bookcase in olive wood and marquetry with mirror doors dating from the eighteenth century brought the top price of 26m lire (estimate 20m-30m lire) or £12,327. Two mid-eighteenth century Neapolitan sofas in Louis XV style with four armchairs en suite brought 17.7m lire (estimate 3m-5m) or £8,382.

Among the paintings it was naturally the Neapolitan artists that attracted the most attention. A painting by Francesco Solimena, the great exponent of Neapolitan Baroue, "Adam and Eve naming the animals" sold for 21m lire (estimate 8m-12m lire) of £10,000. A painting of "Jacob's Dream" by Andrea Vaccaro, a seventeenth century Neapolitan, made 15m lire (estimate 10m-15m).

The American passion for folk art was fed with the Thomas G. Rizzo collection on Thursday and prices soared with only seven per cent unsold. Rizzo was a trustee of New York's Museum of American Folk Art and long time devotee. He died last year.

Folk art comes in many eccentric guises and the sensation of the day was a new auction record price for a weathervane at $82,500 (estimate $25,000-$35,000) or £48,530. Made from molded and guilded copper, it is in the form of the Statue of Liberty and was made by the J. L. Bott Iron Works, of New York and Chicago, in the late nineteenth century. A pair of portraits of 1818-20 in the slightly primitive style of Ammi Phillips depicting General Davis and Mrs Nancy Robinson sold for $99,000 (estimate $75,000-$100,000) or £58,240.

Bonham's had an unusual group of Art Deco Axminster carpets with an abstract design by Edward McKnight Kauffer of around 1925. Prices ranged from £1,430 to £1,980 against estimates of £1,000 to £1,200.

The star lot at Christie's in London yesterday was a fourteenth century Islamic glass mortar which was unsold at £75,000. Christie's had been talking of a price around £60,000 to £80,000 and it appears that the owner must have upped his reserve at the last moment. The reddish-brown jar has rich polychrome enamel decoration similar to a group of glass objects commissioned by the Sultan Barquq (1313-1399) for his mosque in Cairo.

University news

Loughborough

Appointments

Professor D J Johns MSc(Eng)., PhD, CEng, head of the department; of transport technology, has been appointed Senior Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the university from August 1. He succeeds Professor J Sizer who resumes his post as head of the department of management studies.

Professor D C Freshwater BSc, PhD, DLC(Sci), CEng, head of the department of chemical engineering, has been appointed dean of the school of pure and applied science in succession to Professor K W Bentley, head of the department of chemistry.

Professor L M Cantor, MA, head of the department of education, has been appointed dean of the school of education and humanities, in succession to professor J Lucas, head of the department of English and Drama.

READERSHIPS: Dr B A Buffham (chemical engineering); Dr J R Presley (economics).
SENIOR LECTURESHIPS (from August 1): Dr R M Smith, (chemistry); Dr F C Harris (civil engineering); Dr P J Robins (civil engineering); Dr A A Ball (engineering mathematics); Dr D R Green (engineering mathematics); Dr R H Weston (engineering production); Dr J V Crowther (english and drama); Mrs A Irving (library and information studies); Mr P A Lawrence (management studies); Mr J A Piper (management studies); Mr F N Birkett (mechanical engineering); Dr R Vitols (mechanical engineering); Dr D C Emmony (physics); Dr J M Walls (physics); Dr D L Howitt (social sciences);

Services tomorrow: Third Sunday after Easter

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC, 8: M, 10.30: Jub and TD (Stanford in B flat), Canon Woollcombe: HC, 11.30, Int, Haec Dies (Byrd): E, 3.15, Mag and Nunc dimittis, (Blair in B minor) A, Blessed be the God and Father (S S Wesley), Rev D Shaw
WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC, 8: 10.30, Wood in E, The Lord is King! (Boyce), Right Rev E G Knapp-Fisher: HC, (said) 11.40: E and S Croft Collegium Regale Cantata, "Ad Pectus", Buxtehude, Canon Greenacre: organ recital, C: 05, E, 6.30, Rev A Luff.
SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: HC, 9: Cathedral Eucharist, 11, Jackson in G, A, I will wash my hands in innocency (Bairstow), I sat down under his Shadow (Bairstow), the Provost, Cathedral E, 3.30, the Southwark Service (Ian Kellam), A, Welcome, sweet and sacred Feast (Finzi), Canon Parroll.
THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL, St James's Palace: HC, 8.30: M, 11.15, Mass in four parts (Byrd), Ven H Johnson
THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY (public welcomed): Sung Eucharist, 11.15, Stanford in B, flat, Canon Young, 5pm, annual service for the Association of Lancastrians in London, Ven F, Harvey (Archdeacon of London).
ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich (public welcomed): HC, 8.30: Parish C, 11, A, Since by man came death (Handel), Rev J Olliver.
GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks: M, 11, Rev P, M, Brooke: HC, noon.
GRAY'S INN CHAPEL (public welcomed): HC, 8.30: M, 11.15, Canon James.

HM TOWER OF LONDON (public welcomed): HC, 9.15: M.11, Ben Stanford in C, A: Haec dies (Palestrina), the Chaplain.
CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace (public welcomed): HC, 8.30: Sung Eucharist, 11, Wood in the Phrygian mode, Motet Ave Verum Corpus (Elgar): E, 3.30, Harwood in A flat: A, Gloria in Excelsis Dev (Weelkes).

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Sung Eucharist, 11, Rev M Beech.
ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street: LM, 8 and 5.15: M, 10.20: HM, 11, Missa Brevis (Mathias), Rev J W Holden: Solemn E, 6, Noble in A minor, Rev C J Somers-Edgar.
ALL SOULS, Langham Place: 11, Prebendary M Baughen: 6.30: Rev R Simpson.
HOLY TRINITY, Brompton: HC, 8: Family Service, 9.45: Sung HC, 11, Rev P Whitworth, ES, 6.30, Rev J T C B Collins.
HOLY TRINITY WITH ALL SAINTS, Prince Consort Road, SW7: HC, 8.30: Choral M and Eucharist, 11, Rev Dr M Israel.
HOLY TRINITY, Sloane St (Sloane Sq station): HC, 8.30: HC, 10.30, Canon Roberts: HC, 12.10.

ST BARTHOLOMEW-THE-GREAT PRIORY, (AD 1123): HC, 9: Choral Eucharist, 11, Missa Brevis (Seiber): A, If ye be risen again (Gibbons), the Rector: E, 6.30, Farrant in A minor, A, My beloved spake (Tomkins), Rev C Taylor.
ST BRIDES, Fleet Street: HC, 8.30: Choral M and Eucharist, 11 (Preb D Morgan): Choral E, 6.30 (Preb D Morgan).
ST GEORGE'S Hanover Square: HC 8.30: Sung Eucharist, 11 (Byrd (4-Part), A, Sing O Heavens (Amner), The Rector.
ST JAMES'S, Garlickhill (City): HC, 10.30 (Sung), A, O Lord, increase my faith (Gibbons), Preb D W C Mossman.

ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly: HC, 8.30: Sung Eucharist, 11.00, EP 6.
ST MARGARET'S Westminster: Sung Eucharist, 11: Canon Beeson.
ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: Family Communion, 9.45, Rev C Hedley: MS, 11.15, Bishop Baker: HC, 12.30: Choral E, 4.15: ES, 6.30, Rev F Stevens.
ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington: HC, 8 and 12.30, Sung Eucharist, 9.30, and M, 11.15, Rev M J Thompson: E, 6.30, Rev J P Hill.
ST MARY'S, Bourne Street: LM, 8, 9.45, 7, HM, 11, Rev C Courtauld: Communion service (after Farrant): Cantate Domino (Monteverdi), Adoremus Te (Monteverdi), E and Solemn Benediction, 6.15.
ST MARYLEBONE Parish Church: HC, 8 and 11: The Rev R Saienius, Missa Aeterna Chreste Munera (Palestrina): They that go down to the sea in ships (Sumsion), 6.30: Mrs Valerie Makin, ministry of healing, laying on of hands.
ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square: HC, 8.15, Family service, 11, Rev E G H Saunders: E, 6.30, Rev M D Hollingsworth.
ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, Knightsbridge: HC, 8 and 9: Solemn Eucharist, 11: Vaughan Williams in D minor, morning hymn (Balfour Gardiner), Praise to the Lord (Gilbert), Rev R G Russell.

ST SIMON ZELOTES, Chelsea: HC, 8 and 12-15: MP, 11 EP, 6.30, Rev O R Clarke.
ST STEPHEN'S Gloucester Road: LM, 8, 9: HM, 11, Missa a 5 voci (cererols), Rev D Priest: E, and B, 6, Rev D Priest.

ST VEDAST, Foster Lane: SM 11, Hue ad regem (de Klerk), Vater Unser (Schein), Rev M Tweedy.

ST COLUMBA'S (Church of Scotland), Pont Street: 11 and 6.30 Rev Dr J Fraser McLuskey.

CROWN COURT CHURCH (Church of Scotland), Russell Street, Covent Garden: 11.15 and 6.30, Rev J Miller Scott: HC, 12.20.
WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: M, 7, 8, 9, 10.30 (sonb), Missa sine nomine (a8) (haller), Angelus Domini (Casciolinc), O sacrum convivium (Gabrieli): noon, 5.30 and 7: Vespers and Benediction, 3.30: magnificat quarti tone (Palestrina), o sacrum convivium (Gabrieli).
THE ORATORY, SW7: HM, 11, Mass in D (Dvorak), Surrexit Christus lodie (Scheidt): LM 7, 8, 9, 10, 12.30, 4.30, 7: Vespers and Benediction, 3.30
ST ANSELM AND CECILIA, Kingsway: SM11, Messe de Sainte Genevieve (Henri Poitron), Ego sum pastor bonus (de Lioncourt).
ST ETHELDREDA'S, Ely Place (Holborn Circus): SM, 11, Mass, Michael Haydn in D minor, Gradual, Plainchant, Offertory, Ave Verum (Carissimi.)
CHURH OF OUR LADY, St John's Wood: SM (Latin) 10.45: Mass in B (Caldara): Haec Dies (Sheppard).
THE JESUIT CHURCH, Farm Street: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 11 (sung latin mass), 12, 4.15, 6.15.

CENTRAL HALL, Westminster: 11 and 6.30, Rev Dilwyn Banner.

REGENT SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (United Reformed): Tavistock Place, 11, Rev Workman: 6.30, Mrs J Elphick.
ST JOHN'S WOOD UNITED REFORMED CHURCH (Presbyterian-/Congregationalist), Lord's Roundabout, NW8: 11 am Rev J Miller.
WEST LONDON MISSION, Hinde Street Methodist Church, W1: 11, David Mullins: 6.30, Martin Forward.
CITY TEMPLE, Holborn Viaduct: EC: 11 and 6.30, Dr R Johanson
WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Gate: 11, Rev Dr R T Kendall: 6.30, Rev A Blessitt.
WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road: 11, Rev R G M Tedcastle.

OBITUARY

MAJOR R. GATEHOUSE

Electronics navigation for small boats

Major Richard Gatehouse, the navigational inventor died on April 28 at the age of 63.

Like so many inventors he was a humble man. He loved the sea and from a very early age owned a boat and cruised on the East Coast. His other love was radio and he obtained his ham radio licence before the Second World War.

The son of Brigadier R. P. Gatehouse, MC, it was natural that he should be apprenticed to Marconi and when the war came he was commissioned into REME and then transferred to his father's regiment, the Royal Artillery. During the war he was associated with the development of radar both at the Royal Radar Establishment at Malvern and at the War Office. During and after the war he was involved most of the time with the development of the radar defences of the UK.

When in the early 1950s air defence was handed over to the RAF he was for a time at a loss. But his love of small cruising boats and his radio knowledge made him realize that, with the advent of the transistor he could produce a miniature waterproof radio direction-finder suitable for small boats.

He resigned from the Army and put everything into developing electronic navigational instruments. He was a perfectionist and from the beginning insisted on the utmost reliability and quality as he knew that the small cruising boat sometimes found itself in the most adverse conditions.

Assisted by his wife Penelope he started production in their kitchen with a variety of helpers working for them in their home as a cottage industry. Brookes and Gatehouse Ltd was formed; Richard was managing director, designer and often production and assembly worker as well. The quality of his products was appreciated and their fame spread so that the company soon moved to other premises and steadily increased until the were producing a full range of instruments by the late 1960s.

He was a fellow of the Royal Institute of Navigation who presented him with their gold medal in 1975 for outstanding contribution to small craft navigation.

He employed about 100 all of whom were his friends and were sad when because of ill-health he had to retire from active participation in the affairs of the company which was then acquired by the Unitech group. He stayed on as consultant and president and was often in the works encouraging and advising. He was the pioneer of small boat electronics navigation and his death has saddened his many friends all over the world.

Only hours after his death the Duke of Edinburgh presented the firm with a Design Council award for the Homer 5 marine radio receiver. The firm was also given a Design Council award in 1981.

Gatehouse leaves a widow and four sons.

AIR VICE-MARSHALL H. V. SATTERLY

Air Vice-Marshall Harold Vivian Satterly, CB, CBE, DFC, died on April 28 at the age of 74.

Towards the end of the Second World War he was given the rank of air vice-marshal and appointed Senior Air Staff Officer of Tiger Force, the bomber formation which would have gone into operation against Japan but for the surrender of the government of that country in August, 1945.

Educated at Hele's School, Exeter, and Exmouth Grammar School, he began his career in the RAF as an aircraft apprentice at Halton shortly before his sixteenth birthday. He was later selected for training as a pilot and was promoted sergeant in 1928. In 1930 he was commissioned and for several years he was a flying instructor.

During the second World War he was initially at the Air Ministry and later he served for a time with No 83 Squadron and was awarded a DFC. Subsequently he was SASO, No 5 Group, commanded a bomber base in No 4 Group and returned to 5 Group to command a Pathfinder base.

After the war he was Assistant Commandant of the RAF Staff College, Bracknell, Air Officer Commanding No 205 Group Middle East Air Forces and Assistant Chief of the Air Staff (Operational Requirements) at the Air Ministry. From 1957 to 1959 he was Air Officer Commanding No 64 (Northern) Group.

He married in 1935 Mary Gavin, daughter of Colonel A. L. Lindesay. They had one son and two daughters.

FRAU ILSE VON HASSELL

Frau Ilse von Hassell, widow of Ulrich von Hassell, the distinguished German diplomat who was hanged for his part in the attempt to kill Hitler in 1944, and the eldest daughter of Grand Admiral Albert von Tirpitz, died on April 18 in Ebenhausen near Munich. She was 96.

Ilse von Hassell was born in 1885. Under the Kaiser her father planned the famous naval building programme for a possible war with Britain on account of which his very name was enough to make people shudder in this country. But the admiral held English culture in such esteem that he sent both his daughters to be educated at Cheltenham Ladies' College. Here Ilse von Tirpitz learned immaculate English. She remembered the Kaiser as an adult and she was nicknamed by him the "little cruiser". On her return to Germany she was invited by him to state her views on the English public school system which, with reservations, she admired.

In 1911 she married a young diplomat, Ulrich von Hassell, whose family had produced many distinguished public servants. He was a Hanoverian and deeply attached to the Lutheran faith.

After Germany's defeat in 1918 Tirpitz, who died in 1930, was associated with German militarism, and the Hassells felt ill at ease in the Weimar Republic. It is to the credit of Herman Müller, the Socialist Foreign Minister, that in 1919 he appointed Hassell as Germany's new charge d'affaires in Rome. After a short period of service in Barcelona Hassell was posted to Copenhagen, where he and his wife met many people of the highest distinction; such as Nathan Söderblom, Archbishop of Uppsala, and Niels Bohr. The latter persuaded the Hassells to visit Iceland where she gave up riding side saddle.

Having learned Danish the next station was Belgrade. She had clear memories of King Alexander, whom she and her husband admired. They persuaded him to make concessions to the German minority in that country.

In November, 1932 he was appointed ambassador in Rome for which post he was admirably suited. His mission there was to turn out to be by far the most significant in his diplomatic career. Ilse von Hassell could describe how, while driving home immediately after a reception, she would at once start to take notes on important conservations. Often she found her husband's despatches too wordy and at times she persuaded him to be more concise.

She backed her husband as a fighting comrade in important political issues. His career and hers were to be stormy. His proposals, made on many occasions in 1933 and 1934 on how German-Italian relations could be improved for peaceful purposes, were abruptly dismissed in Berlin. The views of some of his own colleagues in the Rome Embassy were Nazis, and Party bosses in Berlin, such as Göring, would suddenly descend on the Hassells on missions to Mussolini specially assigned to them by Hitler.

She has left on record how on one of such occasions misunderstandings arose. In June 1934 Mussolini's words to Hitler could not be heard because Mussolini was seated behind an inordinately large table, bedecked with flowers. But she liked Mussolini personally. He had humour but lost his sense of reality and became bewitched by Hitler after the Italian victories in Ethiopia early in 1936.

On February 19 of that year Mussolini considered having Hassell recalled. In their intrigues against him his enemies in Berlin found a willing ally in Ciano, Mussolini's son-in-law and Foreign Minister. Ciano specifically singled her out as well as her husband as *personna non grata*. Ciano only succeeded in having him dismissed late in 1937 when Italy joined Germany and Japan in the Anti-Comintern Pact.

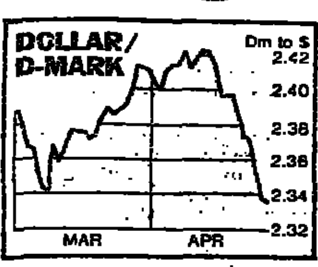
From this moment on the Hassells, who were appalled by the attacks on the Jews, joined the ranks of opposition groups to Hitler. He was hanged on August 8, 1944 for his part in the conspiracy of July 20, and she was incarcerated in the same concentration camp as were Niemoeller, von Schuschnigg, Blum and other distinguished persons.

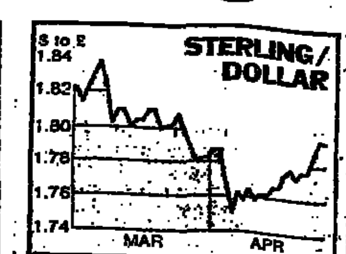
She felt the loss of her husband acutely, and after the war, except for a few television programmes, she took no active part in public life. But she read profusely, and to the bemusement of a visitor she could switch from one theme or language to another.

She showed remarkable tolerance towards those who were out of sympathy with her father or husband, for example, Prince Lichnowsky, Ambassador in London in 1914, and the State Secretary Bernhard von Bülow, with whom her husband often crossed swords. She had a perceptive memory and could describe detailed episodes with forthright humour. She could often, when challenged, answer what seemed to be a complex question in two or three words.

BUSINESS NEWS

Sterling still strong





Sterling has performed well against the dollar this week despite the Falklands crisis. But this has, in large measure, been a reflection of dollar weakness. The United States currency has fallen away sharply, especially against the Deutschmark and the yen as foreign exchange operators have come to the conclusion that American interest rates may well start to fall soon. The pound has gained 2.25 cents against the dollar over the week, but it has lost ground to other currencies, falling, for instance, from DM 4.23 to DM 4.18½. Its index against a basket of currencies has fallen 0.2 to 89.6. United Kingdom interest rates were little changed yesterday, though the Treasury Bill rate rose from 12.89 to 12.98 per cent at the weekly tender.

US markets in disarray

Confusion reigned yesterday on the United States commodity markets when news came in that Argentina would be willing to accept a United Nations resolution and withdraw its troops from the Falklands.

Financial markets had been uncertain and in early morning trading, after a pessimistic forecast by Mr Alexander Haig, the United States Secretary of State, the commodity markets rose again in brisk trading while stock prices dropped.

Disposal boosts Chrysler

Chrysler Corporation made net profits of $149.9m (£83.2m) in the first quarter, compared with a $389.3 loss a year earlier. However, the net profit figure includes a gain of $172.1m from the sale of its Chrysler Defence subsidiary, and $66.9m from tax credits. Chrysler's operating loss for the quarter was $89.1m compared with a $3202m loss in the same quarter last year. Sales rose to $2,510m from $2,250m last year, it said.

Belgium invited to June summit

Belgium has been invited to the June Summit in Paris of major industrialized countries, ending a diplomatic wrangle over whether it should be allowed to attend. Belgium contended that it should be present in its capacity as current president of the European Community Council of Ministers.

● Sketchley's $33-a-share offer for Means Services, the American rental wear business, has lapsed. The bid lapsed after ARA Services, which was counter-bidding for Means at $37, said it was paying for the Means shares already tendered to it. This amounted to 86 per cent.

● The American company Digital Communication Corporation has been awarded the main part of a £1m contract for the supply of microwave equipment granted to the Mercury consortium headed by Cable & Wireless.

Receivers called

Receivers have been appointed by the Highlands and Islands Development Board in an attempt to salvage Lewis Stokfisk which operates a fish drying factory on the Isle of Lewis.

The factory employs 16 full time and 13 casual workers.

Tenneco sale

Tenneco, the American conglomerate, is to sell the Bush Boake Allen flavours and fragnances division of Albright and Wilson, Tenneco's British subsidiary. The buyer is Union Camp Corporation. No sale price has been disclosed.

● British Telecom plans to open business centres in the main cities to demonstrate office equipment available from the corporation. The company already has centres in London, Aldershot and Manchester and has one planned for Birmingham.

MARKET SUMMARY

GEC leaps after hours

LONDON EXCHANGE

FT Index 575.1 down 6.9
FT Gilts 67.70 down 0.16
FT All Share 328.09 down 2.98
Bargains 15,560

Reports that Argentina is prepared to comply with the United Nations Resolution and withdraw from the Falklands came late for the Stock Market. But after being 11.3 adrift at 1pm the FT Index recovered to close down 6.9 at 575.1.

Jobbers quickly marked up leading equities by 10p and more after hours but were so reluctant to deal that they would only make a market in 259 Lloyds Bank shares, instead of the normal market in 50,000. They were nominally marked up 20p in the 396p closing price.

Trade in gilts remained quiet with a small amount of selling pushing prices down by up to £½ at the close. Stockjobbers Akroyd & Smithers halted dealings when news of the apparent breakthrough arrived only minutes before the market closed. There were reports of limited after hours dealings at up to £3 above closing levels.

The outstandings after hours performance was put in by GEC with a 31p leap to 880p after easing 7p to 849p during the day.

Dealers now expect large gains when the market reopens on Tuesday after the long weekend, with bulls looking for the Index to jump by 20 to 30 points.

Supermarket giant J Sainsbury provided one of the few bright spots with a 10p jump to 630p ahead of finals due on Wednesday when the market is looking for a rise in pretax profits from £62m to around £80m.

Anderson Strathclyde continued to surge ahead, up 9p at 127p, awaiting a much-rumoured bid from Charter Consolidated, but Grindlays Holdings slumped 13p at 197p in the absence of any dawn raider.

Dry cleaning shares were buoyant with Sunlight Services gaining 6p to 115p in response to a 38 per cent profits boost and Johnson Group 11p better at 22p in sympathy. Sketchley put on 3p at 273p on news that its offer for the United States group Means had now now lapsed and 4 million shares would not now be placed.

The victory of the shareholders over the Lonhro board in its attempts to increase tha group's borrowing limits left the shares 1p better at 69p, with the prospect of the shares now appearing more attractive to institutional investors.

Leading equities generally showed modest losses of up to 6p, with the picture distorted by Blue Circle at 476p, Glaxo at 613p and Plessey at 395p all quoted in ex dividend form.

Moss Bros marked its return to profits with a 10p jump to 150p while elsewhere among trading news there was satisfaction at Exeter Building at 195p, up 5p, and Brown Bouveri Kent, 2½p better at 24p.

GRA Group, whose ten greyhound stadiums include the White City, returned to a full listing at 18p.

Equity turnover on April 29 was £171.94m (15,033 bargains).

Gareth David

OTHER EXCHANGES

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 7,390.71 down 14.57
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1,323.36 up 20.27

COMMODITIES

● It was a "half day" on the London Metal Exchange as the holiday drew near, but gold futures in New York responded to the change in news about Argentina and the Falklands. After he August position closed £7 up in London at £208 an ounce gold futures slumped by the $25 limit in New York when it was reported that Argentina had agreed to abide by the Security Council resolution and the United States would apply sanctions.

● Other metals also rose in London before the market closed at lunchtime. But on the whole trading was quiet, some speculators prefering to take the day off.

● By contrast, the softs traded for the whole day. The May International Petroleum Exchange gas

● Japan exported a record 909,600 video recorders last month.

CURRENCIES

● Sterling bounce during the afternoon amid reports of diplomatic developments over the Falklands. Having risen above $1.80, it closed a net 15 points lower in London at $1.7940. The dollar was again easier, though steadier than earlier in the week.

LONDON CLOSE

Sterling
$1.7940, down 15 points
Index 89.6, down 0.1
DM 4.1850
Fr F 10.9200
Yen 422.50

Dollar
Index 113.0, down 0.4
DM 2.3335, down 37 pts.

Gold
$362.00, up $11.50

MONEY MARKETS

● The market was extremely quiet with banks doing no more than squaring their books ahead of the long weekend. The Bank of England bought £100m of bills, reising its original forecast of a £50m shortage to £100m.

Domestic rates:
Base rates 13%
3-month interbank 13⅛-13¾

Euro-currency rates:
3-month dollar 14$^{11}/_{16}$-14$^{13}/_{16}$
3-month DM 8$^{13}/_{16}$-8$^{15}/_{16}$
3-month FR F 22⅛-21⅝

Taxes lead BNOC to look abroad

By Jonathan Davis
Energy Correspondent

The state-owned British National Oil Corporation, which yesterday reported a record pretax profit of £438m, is planning a significant expansion overseas after its scheduled privatization later this year — partly to reduce its exposure to the high-tax North Sea operations.

Mr Philip Shelbourne, the corporation's chairman, presenting the 1981 annual report in Glasgow, attacked the offshore oil tax regime, which he said was in danger of driving drilling rigs out of the North Sea and creating serious oil production shortages in the late 1980s. Instead of the present three-tier tax system with its top marginal rate of 89 per cent, oil companies should only be required to pay corporation tax at 52 per cent as for the rest of manufacturing industry, he said.

Despite the 42 per cent increase in pretax profits from £308m to £438m, BNOC's net profit after tax was only marginally up from £72m to £77m. This included special Petroleum Duty payments of £126m, and corporation tax and Petroleum Revenue Tax provisions totalling £236m.



Mr Shelbourne: North Sea taxes attacked

On the oil crisis, Mr Shelbourne said it was too early to say whether the recent firming of spot prices justified an increase in North Sea official prices. The corporation, which trades 60 per cent of North Sea oil made a profit £6m on its oil trading activities last year. Sales totalled £4,917m. The trading arm is to remain 100 per cent state-owned. Mr Ian Clark, chairman of BNOC's trading arm, said the division faced a challenging future on its own. "In some years they will make a loss but in most years they will make a profit," he claimed.

As in 1980 BNOC was able to finance its capital spending of £263m from its own cash flow. It also repaid £285m to the Treasury.

Mr Shelbourne said he would be completed before the end of the year, despite fears that it could be delayed by the depressed state of the oil market. The sale, which the Government hopes will raise at least £750m, is scheduled for November, although Mr Shelbourne said the issue was likely to be partly paid for to make it easier for the market to absorb.

Mr Shelbourne said he confident that the planned issue of 51 per cent of the shares in BNOC's exploration and production activities would be completed before the end of the year.

Mr Shelbourne says. "We want a very substantial overseas programme by the end of the decade." The corporation expects to apply for a drilling licence in Ireland, and has also looked at projects in the United States and elsewhere. It apparently hopes to increase its share of overseas oil production to between 20 and 35 per cent by 1990.

BNOC's overseas activities, which now include exploration interests in Dubai, Indonesia and Denmark, is expected to grow even more strongly after privatization.

BNOC is also pressing ahead with development plans for the Clyde field, due on stream in 1987. It expects to submit an Annex B field development application to the Government in August.

Cash problem could halt Alaska pipeline

From Nicholas Hirst, New York, April 30

The proposed US $43,000m (£25,000m) Alaskan gas pipeline intended to take gas from the Prudhoe Bay oil field across Canada and into the United States could be delayed indefinitely.

A regular monthly meeting of the design and engineering board of the project in Salt Lake City was today considering whether high interest rates and slack demand for natural gas in the United States had so damaged the economics of the pipeline that it would be impossible to finance it.

The three oil companies involved in the project — Sohio, a subsidiary of British Petroleum with a 53 per cent share of the 1.5 million barrel a day field, Atlantic Richfield and Exxon, which each have a 10 per cent share of the pipeline — have so far rejected demands to take up a bigger share of the cost.

Sources say they have been asked to put up half of the financing for the Alaskan section of the pipeline. Funds are also being sought from the State of Alaska.

But with interest rates remaining high — the prime rate is 16.5 per cent — bankers doubt that it is possible to put a financing package together without a great deal of state or federal government support. With the Reagan Administration anxious to cut budgets wherever possible that seems extremely unlikely.

The oil companies, however, cannot allow gas to build up in the fields indefinitely without risking damaging the resevoir. Ultimately the United States is going to need the gas.

Buyer found for BMK Carpets

By Rupert Morris

BMK, the Kilmarnock-based manufacturer of high-quality Axminster, Wilton and tufted carpets, has been bought by Mr John Logue, a former management consultant, six months after the company went into receivership last October.

When Blackwood Morton, the parent company went into liquidation, it had been losing money since 1976, and employed about 1,500 people. Mr Logue, who owns the Gloucestershire engineering company SAP, has been working closely with the receivers, and expects BMK to break even this year. It lost £3.75m last year and £1.5m in 1980.

The company now employs 200, but hopes to increase the workforce to 340 within two months, with further expansion planned

Blackwood Morton's yarn spinning subsidiary has been closed and its towel-making and jute spinning operation at Dundee sold.

Deloitte Haskins and Sells, the receivers, are expected to make a statement to Blackwood Morton creditors and shareholders within the next few weeks.

☐ Eight Supersave stores in the North Midlands have been bought by Mr David Lee, of Newark, Notts, three weeks after they went into receivership.

Bond pulls out of Lacey talks

By Philip Robinson

Speculation over the future of NCC Energy, headed by 33-year-old financier Mr Graham Ferguson Lacey intensified last night. Mr Alan Bond, head of the Australian conglomerate Bond Corporation and friend and business associate of Mr Lacey for many years, announced he had pulled out of all talks with NCC.

The two had been discussing joint exploration ventures in Australia. Mr Tony Oates, a Bond director, said last night from Perth: "We felt that we had to make our position clear follosing speculation in this morning's Australian press. We do not hold any shares in NCC."

In a prepared statement, Bond says that the circumstances surrounding NCC would have no adverse effects on its associate company Waltons Bond.

Waltons Bond owns 13.4 per cent of *Simplicity* Pattern, where Mr Lacey is chairman and chief executive and his NCC group has declared it owns 20 per cent.

But yesterday it emerged that there could be some doubt over whether NCC's Simplicity stake is held free of all conditions. The stake is a main factor in the balance sheet of the loss-making energy expoloration company whose shares were suspended at 35p on the London Stock Exchange on Tuesday after falling from a 12p high in the past 12 months. Total debts a year ago were put at about £20m.

It is now thought that Waltons Bond has pre-emptive rights over the stake which was put up as security for the NCC loan which is said to have paid for the $20m interest in two gold mines in Western Australia last December.

Mr Oates said: "I am advised not to comment on that."

The terms of ownership of the Simplicity stake could be crucial to NCC and its new 38 per cent shareholder, the Northern Bank Development Corporation, part of Midland Bank.

It became NCC's shareholder on Wednesday after appointing Mr Guy Parsons and Mr Richard Agutter of accountants Peat Marwick Mitchell joint receivers to the company. The move came after the sharp fall in NCC's share price because the stake was pledged as security for a £10m loan.

It is believed the NCC shares were the principal asset of Birmingham and Midland Counties Trust. But the receivers were still attempting to sort the company late last night at a meeting which started after lunch.

The Northern Bank had obtained a temporary injunction on Wednesday preventing NCC from disposing of its Simplicity stake without shareholder approval. The injunction expires next Wednesday.

Meanwhile, it has emerged that three million NCC shares were issued four months ago as security for a $6.7m loan which was borrowed from NCC's New York advisers Drexel Burnham Lambert to buy a further 631,000 Simplicity shares which took NCC's holding to 20 per cent. The NCC shares were given to the American Group Cook Industries, which owns 11.14 per cent of NCC, but under the terms of the contract Cook has the option to the end of this year to sell the shares back to NCC and receive the original $6.7m plus interest.

In addition, when Waltons Bond bought its 13.4 per cent of Simplicity for $26.5m, it is understood that NCC paid Waltons a non refundable deposit of $5m which NCC borrowed from the New York office of Marine Midland, pledging 600,000 of its Simplicity shares as security.

New York lawyer Mr Frederick Isquith returns to court on Monday for the second hearing of his legal action by three Simplicity shareholders seeking to freeze Waltons Bond stake, obtain the return of Simplicity's cash, (it estimates that around $70m has been spent since Mr Ferguson Lacey became chairman) and prevent any further cash from leaving the company.

The Bond Group says it plans to repay $10m worth of deposits to Simplicity, although they say there was no obligation for them to do so at this time. The deposits are paid on unspecifed projects between Simplicity and Bond.

There have been no official statements from Mr Ferguson Lacey since the NCC share suspension, although announcements are expected on a daily basis by his London advisers.

They have already expressed shock at the receivership of BMCT, a company incorporated in October 1978 to buy the whole of the issued capital of BMTC Counties Trust Ltd. The group has three directors, Mr Ferguson Lacey, his septegenarian life long friend Mr Cecil Mcbridge and company secretary Mr Stephen West.

CBI warns against pay reaction

By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

The Confederation of British Industry issued renewed warnings to employers yesterday that the slightest sign of business recovery could spark off bigger wage claims.

Mr Bryan Rigby, the CBI's deputy director general, said that as industry began the next pay round "all of us are worried that the earliest sign of recovery in even paper profits could trigger, if not an expolsion, perhaps a rumble. Certainly we cannot rely on recession habing produced a radical change in employee attitudes.

Employers' interdependence would be tested, he added. "Settlements in different sectors will have effects on others — comparability effects in bargaining, recumbent price effects in the labour markets and price effects in our balance sheets.

"Never was it more important to keep in touch with each other over pay developments and to understand each other's problems and opportunities."

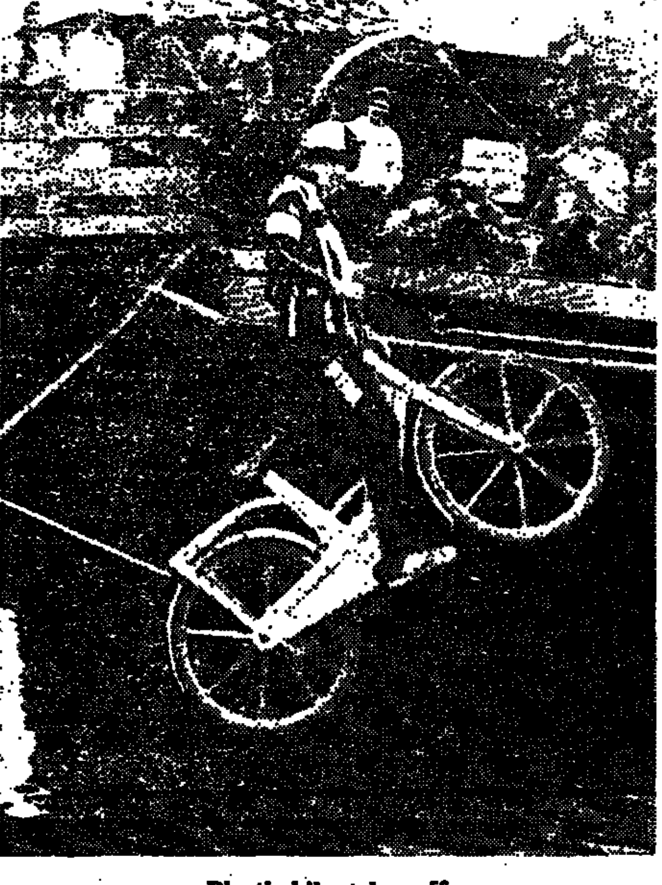
So far this year, the CBI's pay databank is showing that settlements in manufacturing are averaging just over seven per cent, slightly down on last spring, with 85 per cent of settlements falling in the five to 10 per cent range.



Rigby: employers are worried

Mr Rigby, speaking at the British Insurance Broker's Association's conference in Bournemouth, said that one of the significant features of pay bargaining in the last two years had been the switch in bargaining pressures from external ones such as cost of living and comparability to internal factors such as survival and competitiveness.

"But while settelements which more accurately reflect the ability of the individual company to compete are important, the average is also important. The same spread around a lower average would make all United Kingdom goods and services more competitive, increase our market share, improve growth prospects, provide more jobs and more wealth to share."



Plastic bike takes off.

Plastic bike launched

By Clive Cookson

The world's first all-plastic bicycle was launched in Britain with a splash yesterday when Billy Holmes (16), son of the man responsible for selling the Swedish-made Itera bike in this country, pedalled over the quayside into St Katherine's Dock, London.

All the Itera's structural components are made of injection-moulded composite plastics, developed originally for the aerospace industry. According to Mr Lars Samuelsson, the Swedish cofounder of the Itera company, the bicycle is the first product to be made from these materials for the mass market.

The Itera will be distributed in Britain by Falcon, the Humberside-based bicycle manufacturer which is part of the Elswick-Hopper group. Mr Bill Holmes, Falcon sales manager, expects to sell 20,000 Iteras in the first year, at £139.95 each. He predicts that its introduction will give the United Kingdom bicycle market its biggest boost since Mr Alex Moulton introduced small-wheeled bikes in the 1960s.

Although the Itera is made in Sweeden, it does have a British flavour. Hawtal Whitney, the Essex engineering consultancy, was responsible for the detailed design work, and Sturmey Archer supplies the three-speed gears and a specially developed hub as well as some smaller components.

As Billy Holmes was launching the Itera his father's company was announcing the colsure of one if its bicycle factories at Barton, South Humberside.

The 200 employees at Barton will be offered new jobs eight miles away in Brigg, so "no major redundancies are expected."

Lloyd's in clash over Qantas

By Peter Wilson-Smith

Bitter criticism of the ruling committee of Lloyd's was voiced yesterday by a leading Lloyd's broker over the decision to hold an inquiry into the renewal of insurance for Qantas, the Australian airline.

Mr Kenneth Grob, chairman of Alexander Howden which won the account from rival Baine Dawes, said the decision was nonsensical and attacked the committee for behaving "like clowns". "If they can do anything wrong and foul any situation up, they will do so," he said.

The Qantas affair has the makings of yet another major internal row in the London insurance market just as the Lloyd's Bill, designed to improve regulation in the maket, reaches its Committee Stage in the House of Lords. Hearings start on Tuesday and the Qantas affair looks certain to bear on the contentions issues of diverstment and imminity.

Lloyd's set up a sub-committee under deputy-chairman Mr Tim Brennan to establish the facts of the Qantas case on Wednesday after representations from the market.

Aviation underwriters appear to have been upset when Howden tried to place the business in the Lloyd's market with Mr Ian Posgate, a marine underwriter whose syndicate is managed by the Howden Group, leading the underwriting.

The business has now been placed but with Mr Posgate, who is also a Lloyd's committee member, getting only a small share. Howden, meanwhile, is taking a $500,000 loss on the business in order to meet its quote

Mr Grob said that Howden would sue the Lloyd's committee if the inquiry damaged its reputation and would also try to block the immunity clause in the Lloyd's Bill, designed to protect the committee from such litigation.

Hayters buys US shares

By Margareta Pagano

Diamond Industries, the private United States company run by Mr Stanley Mann, has sold its 16.95 per cent stake in Howard Machinery, the troubled farm equipment maker.

The shares were immediately snapped up by Hayters, the Bishop's Stortford manufacturer of power mowers and welders. Hayters, which came to the Unlisted Securities Market last November, also bought a further 930,000 shares, taking its holding in Howard to 20.1 per cent. Howard shares last night were unchanged at 25p.

Diamond generated much excitement last year when it bought Howard's shares at 24p in a dawn raid. Latest figures for Howard show a pretax profit of £78,000 compared with a loss of £5.2m in the previous year. Hayters has forecast pretax profits of £626,000 for this year.

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	13%
Barclays	13%
BCCI	13%
Consolidated Crds	13%
C. Hoare & Co	*13%
Lloyds Bank	13%
Midland Bank	13%
Nat Westminster	13%
TSB	13%
Williams & Glyn's	13%

* 7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000 10½%. £10,000 up to £50,000 11%. £50,000 and over 11¼%.

Gulf wins Lonrho battle

Gulf Fisheries of Kuwait, the leading shareholder in *Lonrho* with 15 per cent, yesterday stopped Lonhro raising its borrowing limits by 50 per cent.

More than 71 per cent of the votes cast were in support of Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland's proposal and 28.54 per cent against. But the resolution required approval from 75 per cent of the votes. Votes were cast by 20,528 People of whom 18,485 or 90.05 per cent — were in favour of Lonrho's proposal.

Mr Paul Spicer, a Lonrho director, said last night the group was not disappointed with the outcome but believed the proposals had been far-sighted for Lonhro's expansion over the next decade.

Action by toy manufacturer

Hornby to shed 400 jobs

By Baron Phillips

One of the world's oldest toy train manufacturers, the Margate-based Hornby Railways, is to lay off about 400 of its 1200 work force.

Mr Karl Mueller, Managing director, woh led a management buyout last summer from the collapsed Dundee Combex Marx toy group, said: "It is a very sad day for us. But it is a case of taking some preventive medicine against abackground of severe economic recession."

Mr Meuller and his fellow directors rescued Hornby from the DCM receivers last June with £5m backing from City institutions, including Guidehouse, Citicorp Dovelopment Capital and Electra Investment Trust. Under the deal 20 per cent of the equity was left with the directors and employees. Some of the 400 volunteering for redundancy are shareholders.

At the time of the rescue bid Mr Mueller forecast profits of about £1m. Last night he was confident that Hornby would produce earnings of about that figure on sales of £15m-£16m.

The company is calling for volunteers for redundancy and the final figure could be as low as 390 depending on the number of full-time jobs lost among the mainly female labour force.

Hornby has been part of British childhood (and in many cases adulthood) for more than 60 years since Mr Frank Hornby started to build detailed model trains in Liverpool. Although the family compant flourished for many years it has had a troubled recent history.

As part of the Meccano toy group it met difficulties during the mid-1960s before being purchased by Lines Brothers, which was then Britain's biggest toy maker and included the world-famous name of Tri-ang Railways.

But in 1971 Lines found itself in trouble and in 1972 Hornby passed into the hands of DCM. Within a decade troubles arose again and Mr Mueller, who had been with Hornby since 1973, organized last summer's successful rescue operation.

Mr Mueller blames overseas competitors, whom he accuses of "dumping" products on the United Kingdom market at prices cheaper than cost.

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1981/82 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E Actual	P/E Fully Taxed
130	100	Ass Brit Ind CULS	130	—	10.0	7.7	—	—
75	62	Airsprung Group	73	—	4.7	6.4	11.6	16.0
51	33	Armitage & Rhodes	43	-1	4.3	10.0	3.6	8.1
205	187	Bardon Hill	201	—	9.7	4.8	9.8	11.9
107	100	CCL 11% Conv Pref	107	—	15.7	14.7	—	—
104	61	Deborah Services	63	—	6.0	9.5	3.1	5.9
131	97	Frank Horsell	130	+1	6.4	4.9	11.7	24.1
83	39	Frederick Parker	78	—	6.4	8.2	4.0	7.6
78	46	George Blair	54	—	—	—	—	—
102	93	Ind Prec Castings	98	+1	7.3	7.4	7.1	10.7
109	100	Isis Conv Pref	109	—	15.7	14.4	—	—
113	94	Jackson Group	99	—	7.0	7.1	3.1	7.0
130	108	James Burrough	113	—	8.7	7.7	8.2	10.4
334	240	Robert Jenkins	240	-2	31.3	13.0	3.3	8.5
65	51	Scruttons "A"	65	—	5.3	8.2	10.0	9.3
222	159	Torday & Carlisle	159	—	10.7	6.7	5.1	9.5
15	10	Twinlock Ord	14	+½	—	—	—	—
80	66	Twinlock 15% ULS	80	—	15.0	18.8	—	—
44	25	Unilock Holdings	25	—	3.0	12.0	4.5	7.6
103	73	Walter Alexander	81	—	6.4	7.9	5.3	9.4
263	212	W. S. Yeates	231	—	14.5	6.3	6.0	12.1

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Hinckley top of the crop

For the past month, building societies have been paying new rates to their investors. Conal Gregory takes a look at what is available on regular saving schemes where it is still possible to earn as much as 12.25 per cent

Subscription Account is the name given to regular savings accounts by most building societies and they generally *involve paying a regular* sum on a monthly basis.

You are not usually allowed to add large capital *sums to the acccount* although you can in certain circumstances, pay subscriptions up to three months in advance.

Societies traditionally offer a higher rate of interest on Subscription Accounts as regular payments assist their cash flow. Building Societies Association *recommended* rate is 10 per cent per annum but many societies with both trustee status and Building Societies Association membership *offer more*.

Top of the interest league table is the Hinckley which offers 12.25 per cent on its Self Service shares for a minimum £1 per month and a maximum £40. No withdrawals are permitted and the rate falls to 8.75 per cent if the maximum of £500 is not reached. On reaching the maximium, the principal and accrued interest are either transferred to another account (where a lower rate applies) or a cheque is sent to the investor. Then payments can continue up to £500 again.

The Leamington Spa's Bonus account pays 11.93 per cent for monthly sums of £1 to £100 up to maximum of £3,600. This rate is calculated as 9.10 per cent for up to three years and, if held for that length, a 'bonus' of one-third of the interest is added.

The London-based Property Owners *offers* 11.75 per cent on its Monthly Savings accounts from £1 to £100 per month. The rate falls to 10.75 *per cent on June 1st.*

Up to three withdrawals a year are permitted without penalty and closure of the *account is on demand.*

The Stockport-based Vernon Building Society offers 11.5 per cent for its Super Savings account although the rate drops to 10.5 per cent on May 1st. In addition, the Vernon gives an extra 0.25 per cent where 12 consecu*tive payments are made in* a calendar year. Sums from £1 to £100 per month may be invested up to £10,000 in total.

The Sussex County (based on Lewes) has increased the maximum sum that can be invested per month in its Regular Savings account to £200, which is double the pre-April level. It offers 11.25 per cent. The minimum monthly sum is £10 and the account can continue until £5,000 has been reached.

Two higher paying Leicestershire societies are the *Shepshed and Loughborough* Permanent. The Shepshed's Subscription account from £1 to £50 per month up to £20,000 offers 10.75 per cent, but this falls to 9 per cent if it is closed in any calendar *year. The Loughborough* Permanent also offers 10.75 per cent for monthly sums of £1 to £50 up to £5,000.

Among those paying higher rates and also allowing a withdrawal is the Swindon based North Wilts Equitable.

The Portsmouth's Subscription account is for a five year period, investing £1 to £100 monthly. The rate is 10.55 per cent but falls to 8.55 per cent if the five years are not completed.

Many societies have agencies outside their branch districts and payments may be made regularly to those, as well as by cheque, banker's order or direct debit in most cases.

The rates quoted are net of basic pre-tax. The tax deducted at source cannot be reclaimed. It is also import*ant to remember that rates* are liable to fluctuate which should be taken into account whem entering a commitment over a considerable period of time.

Among the other societies offering monthly schemes above the Building Societies Association rate are Colne in Lancashire (10.5), Hearts of Oak and Enfield (10.5), Haywards Heath and District (10.5), Reigate based Holmesdale Benefit (10.5), Lambeth in London (10.5), London Commercial (10.5), London based Argyle (10.35), Port*smouth based Hampshire* (10.35) and the Peterborough (10.05).

Broader currency choice in new fund

Latest entrant *into the* currency fund market is Save & Prosper which launched this week a Jersey based fund offering small investors the advantages of money market interest rates on relatively small sums of money, *and a* choice of four currencies.

With three banks already in the field, and pioneers, Rothschild, way out ahead with their Old Court International Reserves fund, what has *Save & Prosper* to offer that is not already available?

At the moment the extra ingredient offered by S&P is *the option to hold yen* as well as sterling, US dollars or D-Marks. None of the other funds in the market have a yen facility. In addition, *S&P* is expecting to launch a cheque book facility but since this is not yet available it is only a potential advantage.

On the minus side S&P's charges are higher than its competitors. Rothschild for example makes a flat 0.75 per cent per annum charge on *the value* of its fund. S&P has a similar charge but can also deduct other management expenses up to a *maximum total charge of* 1.25 per cent a year — and admits that in the early years this will be the annual levy as *they have to recoup their* start-up costs.

The other funds also scored over S&P by offering a free *switching facility* between the different currencies — S&P investors get *only one free switch per* quarter and then there is a charge of £5 (or the currency equivalent) for each move.

Of the three other multi-currency funds, Rothschild's Old Court International reserves offers the widest range of currencies with 10 to choose from and has taken in some $222m since it was launched 16 months ago. Bankers Leopold Joseph and Charterhouse run the other two funds, both offering a *choice of five currencies* (plus SDSs from Charterhouse).

All are run on broadly *similar lines with no* "front-end load" and no spread on the quoted price of shares.

All that is required to make a switch is a telephone instruction (generally before 11 am or noon), in which case currencies will be switched at the exchange rate prevailing that day.

Homing in on the right solicitor

How much does it cost to convey a house? People are used to shopping around for the cheapest packet of detergent or toothpaste, but are *aghast at the thought of* haggling with a solicitor over his fees.

Yet the experience of one homebuyer reveals just how much money can be saved if you are prepared to nego*tiate, what for many is a* major item of cash expenditure.

Francine Jordache is probably a fairly *typical first-time* buyer. At the beginning of this year she started searching for a house and in February found what she wanted — a one-bedroomed flat in Whetstone, North London. She eventually agreed with the sellers a price of £23,300 which seemed reasonable, so she went to *see her* Halifax building society manager to arrange a loan. He agreed to lend her £21,000 on the property.

Francine had never needed a solicitor before so she did the sensible thing and asked the building society manager if he could recommend someone locally.

He put her in touch with three of the society's "panel" solicitors. If Francine used one of these, she would save the expense of correspondence between her solicitor and the solicitor who acts for the building society.

The manager suggested she got *in touch with either* Derrick Bridges and Co, Boyes Sutton and Perry, or Milnes and Milnes, all of whom had offices in Wood Street, Barnet. In addition, Francine's estate agent recommended Vander Pump and Sykes of Crouch End.

As a first time buyer Francine had nothing to sell so the conveyance *was a* straightforward purchase of the flat. Being an enterprising individual she rang all four firms and was surprised to find that there were substantial differences in the fees quoted by the four solicitors.


Francine Jordache: enterprising

"I talked to them on the telephone and they all said that the figures they quoted were *rough estimates, but* there was still a large difference between Boyes Sutton and Perry and the estimate from *Derrick Bridges*," says Francine.

All four solicitors quoted a flat £58 for the Land Registration fee and £116.50 Stamp Duty (back in February she would have been liable for *stamp duty though* this was subsequently changed by the Budget). Here the similarities ended.

Boyes Sutton and Perry was the most expensive by *far, quoting a flat £300* fee plus £20 for sundries. Vander Pump & Sykes wanted £200 with £11.20 for sundries and £16.00 postage. Milnes & Milnes estimated a basic fee of £230 plus £10.20 local *government search, and* £40 mortgage arrangement fee for liaising with the Halifax. Cheapest was Derrick Bridges & Co. which quoted a flat fee of £190 plus £20 for sundries. All quoted varying *figures for value-added tax* which were not necessarily a flat 15 per cent of the basic fee. The totals including the standard charges for stamp duty (now no longer payable) and land registration fee looked like this:

Boyes Sutton & Perry	£539 50
Milnes & Milnes	£494.70
Vander Pump & Sykes	£434.10
Derrick Bridges & Co.	£414 50

"When I compared the quotes, I decided to use Derrick Bridges and Co" says Francine. "However I must say they were all very *helpful and they* did stress that these were only rough estimates and that the final figure may turn out to be *slightly lower.*"

The Law Society confirms that shopping around is the best policy and that there is nothing unusual in such large discrepancies between solicitors' estimates. "Homebuyers should take about half a dozen solicitors in their area and ask for estimates," says *Mike Moriarty* of the Law Society. "Solicitors will generally tend to keep to within 10 per cent either way of their original quote".

The Budget changes mean that Francine will now no longer be liable for Stamp Duty of £116.50, which is a big saving, but in addition, by spending a few hours making telephone calls, she has cut her legal costs by £125.

Divorcees' child benefit

Woman who are largely dependant on maintenance from an ex-husband can find themselves in severe financial difficulties if he dies. But there is help available.

One such aid is the Child's Special Allowance, which can be paid every week to a divorced woman when her former husband dies, if at the time of his death, she has a child which he was helping to support.

However not many woman *in this situation appear to* take advantage of the allowance. About 700 or so receive it in respect of around 1,100 children. The benefit is worth £7.70 a week, going up to £7.95 from next November.

*It is paid in addi*tion to the £5.25 weekly child benefit, which goes also to each eligible child. There is one drawback, though. Anyone who gets the £3.30 a week one-parent benefit has to give that up in order to get the higher child's special allowance.

How can a divorced woman *qualify for the allowance?* A number of special conditions have to be met before it can be paid. The most important is that the woman has not remarried. As well, she must be entitled to child benefit for each child for whom she claims the allowance; and must have been entitled to it when her former husband died. Alternatively, if the child (or children) are hers *by her former husband, she* may also be able to recieve the allowance if he was getting child benefit for the children when he died.

Two other points also have to be considered. Firstly, her former husband must have been supporting the child concerned to the amount of at least 25p a week (or the woman was entitled to get at least that from him, whether he paid it or not). Second, the former husband must have paid enough in national insurance contributions.

If all these conditions are met, than the allowance can be paid. Claims should be made to the local office of the Department of Health and Social Security. Documents needed will include the marriage certificate, evidence of divorce or annulment, and details of the payment or provision the former husband was making towards *child support.*

It is important to claim the Child's Special Allowance as soon as possible after the death of the former husband. The allowance cannot be paid back for more than three *months from the time of* the claim, unless there is a good reason for delay. In any event, it cannot ever be paid for more than 12 months before the date the claim is made.

Child's special allowance will continue until each child for whom it is being received reaches age 16, or 19, if he or she stays on at school. It also stops if the woman receiving it remarries, or if for any reason the child involved loses the entitlement to child benefit.

Ian McDonald

MONEY TALK

Account for low taxpayers

If regular income is your requirement and you pay little or no tax, a new account from National WestminsterBank might appeal. *NatWest's new monthly* income account is available to personal savers whether NatWest customers or not. Minimum investment is £2,000 and interest is paid monthly into a current *account.*

The interest rate will vary in line with changes in bank interest rates generally but *NatWest* says it intends to keep it above the current 7 day deposit rate. The new monthly income account *is* currently paying 12 per cent and will probably appeal to the elderly, and to teenagers *who pay little or no tax.*

NatWest's nearest competitor on this type of account is the National Savings Bank Investment account which has the distinct disadvantage of paying *interest annually.*

NSB should look to its laurels and bring its methods of paying interest into the 20th century if it doesn't want to lose money *to* NatWest. NSB currently offers 13 per cent (from *Monday*) but unless you leave your *money untouched* for 12 months, it is almost impossible to achieve this return because of the way interest is *calculated.*

Stately target

Owners of *stately homes* seem to be the next target for the Vatman. "A disposal of *an article from a stately home* by a person registered for value-added tax is likely to be liable to VAT if any one of the following conditions applies", warns the latest communication from Customs and Excise.

These are the conditions: A — if the article has been on view to the public. B — if the proceeds from the disposal of the article *accrue to persons* or bodies registered for VAT. C — if any VAT incurred on the purchase of the article was deducted as input tax (if it was acquired after April 1, 1973). D — if any VAT incurred on maintenance, repair or restoration of the article has been deducted as input tax.

VAT leaflet 701/12/82 explains in more detail and covers the disposal of antiques, works of art or other *contents of stately homes.*

Kidnap cover

Working abroad isn't all beer and skittles as anyone who is currently sweating it out in Argentina or The Falklands will confirm. One of the nastier hazards in some areas is the possibility of kidnap, internment, detention or hijack. Insurance brokers, Chandler, Hargreaves Whittal are offering cover for these *risks as an optional extra to* their British Expatriates Insurance policy. It already covers such eventualities as personal accident, medical expenses, and, most important, any unexpected tax liability incurred as a result of a sudden recall to Britain. Cover can be bought in units — i.e. £5,000 of medical *expenses, £1,000 contingent* tax cover etc.

POSTBAG

Getting a fair deal

From Mr S. W. Korber

Sir, I was interested to read your excellent article entitled "How Employees Lose Out When They Change Jobs". I am currently fighting an almost certainly unsuccessful battle with my previous employer's pension fund trustees. I am being offered *just under 2 year's service* with the new company's scheme in return for over 7 year's with the old one, because the transfer value is so poor. The thing that interests me is whether any existing legislation such as the Unfair Contracts Act could help people in my position to get a fairer deal. I would be grateful for any guidance you could give on this point.

Yours faithfully,

S. W. KORBER, Esq,
Dore,
Sheffield.

Litigation even if you had grounds for bringing an action is likely to be expen*sive with no guarantee of* success.

Your best course of action is to see a *consulting actuary* or pension consultant who may well be able to negotiate a better transfer sum on your *behalf. If* your new employer still offers a poor deal in terms of years of service, you could take your transfer funds to London and Manchester Assurance which runs a special pension scheme — Transplan — designed to cope specificaly with this problem. The Association of Consulting Actuaries (65 London Wall, London EC2M 5XE) or the Society of Pension Consultants (Ludgate House, Ludgate Circus, London EC4A 2AB) will be able to recommend one of their members in your area.

EDITED BY LORNA BOURKE

Insurance tax penalties for the working wife

Now that insurance companies are cashing in on the working wife, isn't it about time they used their formidable lobbying power to persuade the Government and the Inland Revenue that the tax treatment of benefits paid under permanent health policies is unfair to married women?

Permanent health policies provide a regular weekly income when the policyholder falls sick, but after one year, these benefits are treated as investment income and taxed accordingly. For a married woman, the tax consequences of this can be appalling as the case of a *Times* reader, Mrs T., illustrates.

A senior college lecturer until she fell ill in April 1976, she has not worked since. Under her permanent health policy with Canada Life, she was eligible for benefits when she had been off work for a year. Five years later she is still receiving benefit.

In her case permanent health insurance was particularly important because one of her two children is disabled. If she was ill, she reasoned, it would not merely be a question of replacing her income (which in some years was greater than her husband's earnings) but of paying someone to help with her disabled daughter.

She now receives just over £2,500 a year from her Canada Life policy, but finds that nearly half of it is going into the tax man's pocket. Under the present tax rules a wife's investment income is lumped together with that of her husband and taxed at his highest rate. Permanent health benefits are — for some unknown reason — treated as investment income.

Mrs T says "I used to set aside 30% from my benefit each in tax. I never dreamt I would have to pay more than the basic rate until we received a letter from the Inland Revenue last December telling us there was extra to pay. In the tax year just ended I paid 45% tax on my permanent health benefit. I wonder how many other married women fall into the same trap. We are simply penalised for trying to protect our families."

If Mrs T's permanent health benefit were treated as *earned* income she and her husband could reduce their tax bill by opting to be taxed as single people. But this can only be done with earned income not investment income.

There are two aspects to the problem. First, there is the tax position of the married woman. This is a confusion of fiscal chauvinism which is being reviewed at a leisurely pace by the Government following its publication early last year of a Green Paper on the taxation of married couples.

Doctor Mary Reynolds of Canada Life says: "It is clearly very unfair that the permanent health benefits of a married woman be treated differently from those of a married man or a single person. Permanent health insurance is designed for income replacement. These days married working women have large financial commitments. The joint mortgage is an obvious example. Because of this tax anomaly they can have no way of knowing when they arrange a policy how much net income they will have with which to meet those commitments. Brokers and other advisers should be aware of the problem and explain it to their women clients. Obviously they are still better off with a policy than without but the benefits may be less than they are expecting."

Secondly there is the problem hinging on the fact that permanent health benefits are treated as investment income rather than earned income. Maintenance payments made to an ex-wife received similar treatment up to 1978 when the inequity of the position was finally acknowledged and the treatment changed.

Arguably there is a case for doing the same with permanent health benefits, particularly since pensions are treated as earned income.

Moreover there seems little justification for the present practice of treating an individual permanent health plan differently from a group scheme.

A company that buys permanent health benefit on behalf of its employees not only gets tax relief on the premium which is not available to the individual but the benefits are taxed as earned income in the employees' hands. The individual plan benefits are treated as investment income but there is one valuable concession not available to recipients of benefits under group schemes.

Margaret Drummond



Mrs 'T': ill health, burdensome tax

FAMILY MONEY MARKET

Banks
Current account — no interest paid. Deposit accounts — Barclays, Lloyds, and Natwest 10¼ per cent, Midland, 10 per cent, seven days notice required for withdrawals. Monthly income account Natwest 12 per cent. For sums of £5,000-£25,000. Fixed-term deposits — 1 month 12½ per cent, 3 and 6 months, 12 per cent. Rates quoted by Barclays. Other banks may differ.

Money funds
Seven-day deposits. Simco 7-day fund — 12.86 per cent. UDT *Average Rate Deposits — 13 Tyndall 7-day Fund 13 per cent. Simco dollar fund — 14.03%. Western Trust one month Money-market a/c: 13% interest paid *without deduction of tax. Further* details from: Simco 01 236 0233. UDT 01 623 3020. Tyndall 0272 732241. Western Trust 0752 261161. * New Scheme — old scheme now discontinued.

National Savings Bank
Ordinary accounts — interest 5 per cent, first £70 of interest tax-free. Investment Account — *13 per cent, interest paid without deduction of tax, one month's notice of withdrawal, maximum investment £200,000.

National Savings Certificates 24th Issue.
Return totally free of all taxes, equivalent to an annual interest rate over the five-year term of 8.92%, maximum investment £2,500.

National Savings index-linked certificates
Maximum investment £5,000, return tax-free and linked to changes in the retail prices index, 4 per cent bonus if held full five years to maturity. Cash value of £100 certificates purchased in May 1977, £182.28 including 4 per cent bonus.

Guaranteed Income Bonds
Return paid net of basic rate tax, higher rate taxpayers may have a further liability on maturity.
2 years, Windsor Life 11% min investment £1000.
3 years, Lamont Life 10.25% min investment £1,000.
4 years, American Life 11-12.5% (dependent on age) min investment £1,000.
5 years, Eurolife 12% min investment £1,000.

Local authority town hall bonds
Fixed term, fixed rate investments, interest quoted gross (basic rate tax deducted at source reclaimable by non-taxpayers). One year Cardiff 13% 2-3 years Cardiff 13½% 4-6 years Taff Ely 14%, 7-10 years Taff Ely 14⅛%. Further details available from Chartered Institute of Public Finance Loans Bureau (01-828 7855, after 3 pm). See also on Prestel no 24808.

Local authority yearling bonds
12-month fixed rate investments, interest 13% pc basic rate tax deducted at source (can be reclaimed by non-taxpayers), minimum investment £1,000, purchased through stockbrocker or bank.

Building societies
Ordinary share accounts — 8.75 pc. Term shares — 1 to 5 years, between 0.5 pc and 2 pc over the BSA recommended ordinary share rate depending on the term. Regular savings schemes — 1.25 pc over BSA recommended ordinary share rate. Rates quoted above are those most commonly offered. Individual building societies may quote different rates. Interest on all accounts paid net of basic rate tax, not reclaimable by non-taxpayers.

Finance for Industry
Fixed-term, fixed-rate investmen ts of between 3 and 10 years, interest paid half-yearly witho ut deduction of tax: 3-4 years, 13¼ pc, 5-7 years, 13½ pc; 8-10 years, 13¾ pc; Further information from FFI 91 Waterloo Road, London SE1 (01-928 7822).

Finance house deposits (UDT)
Fixed-term, fixed-rate deposits, interest paid without deductions of tax. "Five/fifty" scheme: 6 months, 13 pc, 1 year, 13⅛ pc, 2 years, 13¼ pc.

Foreign currency deposits*
Interest paid without deduction of tax.

	notice 1 day	7 days
US dollar (call)	13 p c.	13¼ p c
Yen (2 days)	3½ p c.	3¾ p c
D Mark	6 p c	6¼ p c
French Franc	13 p c.	13¼ p c
Swiss Franc	3	3¼

*Rates quoted by Midland Bank — other banks may differ.

March RPI: 313.4 (The new RPI figure is not announced until the third week of the following month) February RPI: 310.7 (The new RPI figure is not announced until the third week of the following month).

Tax evaders feel the pinch

The Inland Revenue crackdown on workers in the "black economy" — particularly casual workers in Fleet Street, the licensed trade and the North Sea — is to continue, but the Revenue now seems more confident that the situation is coming under control.

Extra cash raised by the Inland Revenue's special investigations offices which deal with suspected tax evasion rose from £14m in 1979 to £28.8m by 1981, according to figures given by Sir Lawrence Airey chairman of the Inland Revenue, to a House of Commons committee this week.

Two new special investigations offices are to be opened in Bristol and London bringing the total to 10, but Sir Lawrence expressed doubt about how much more of the estimated £4,000m revenue lost by tax evasion could be collected.

"It is faery gold in the sense that the cost in manpower terms might be more than the Government might want to deploy".

Sir Lawrence continues to press for greater powers similar to those given to the Internal Revenue Service in the United States.

"We have no powers to make random investigations of taxpayers as they have in other countries" he said, pointing out that in this country the Inland Revenue must have evidence of tax evasion before mounting an investigation.

A pilot study by the revenue reveals that 20 per cent of taxpayers are understating their tax liability and 40 per cent are definitely not, with the balance of 40 per cent falling into a grey area of possible tax evasion. The biggest areas of tax evasion occur, said Sir Lawrence, in the transport, hotels and construction industry and among taxi firms and drivers.

Asked why the crackdown on Fleet Street workers had been so much more effective than investigations into North Sea oil rig workers, Sir Lawrence said, "unfortunately the North Sea is not amenable to quite the same approach because of the location of companies".

BUSINESS NEWS/COMPANIES AND MARKET REPORTS

DAVIES & NEWMAN

Dan-Air loss hits parent

Davies & Newman lost money last year on its Dan-Air charter operations as a result of overcapacity.

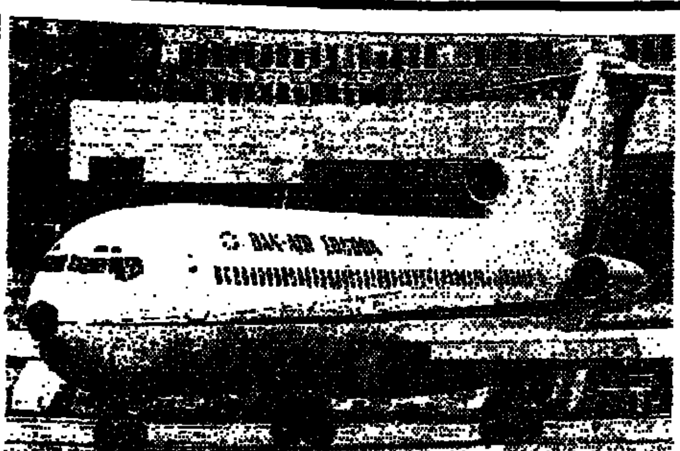
The group as a whole made a profit, however, though it was slashed to £342,000 from £3.35m last time. This was on sales only £600,000 higher at £154m. The group is paying a token final payment, which is about a third of the year's at 4.28p gross compared with 13.2p gross. The shares dropped 2p to 80p.

The Dan-Air operations lost £200,000. Dan-Air has cut back on both charter and scheduled flights and reports that capacity for the summer is fully taken up. Although volume had increased margins are still under pressure.

The half-year is traditionally loss-making because of seasonal factors but last time the losses nearly trebled to £2m.

Profits of about £500,000 were reported by the shipbroking and oil drilling companies. The outlook for shipping this year is uncertain with freight rates at very low levels. But the group has a 50 per cent share in Dan-Smedvig, a Norwegian company which is said to be doing very well and should continue to do so this year.

Interest charges in the period were £2.2m which after tax of £284,000 leaves £58,000. Earnings per share are therefore down at 1p against 44.6p. Borrowings, which were £17m at the last year end, have been sharply cut but no figure is yet available.



MOSS BROS

Back in black

Moss Bros, the top peoples' place to hire top hats and tails, has done well to turn last year's losses to profits.

But the group, now in its new Covent Garden premises, is not being over enthusiastic about future trading. Mr Manny Silverman, who was the first outsider to enter the Moss clan as managing director two years ago, says the group will continue to control all expenditure except what is needed for giving first class service to customers.

"We will continue the present policy which is to ensure we do not lose a sale or hire if we can possibly avoid it. There is still little sign of an upturn in trade" he says.

Pretax profits of £157,000 was made compared with £38,000 lost last time. This is struck after £48,000 exceptional costs involved in closing the Piccadilly store. The final dividend payment is being lifted to 2.14p gross making a total of 3.14p against 2.4p gross last time.

Earnings per share come out at 3.17p against losses of 1.55p and the shares yesterday jumped 10p to 150p.

BROWN BOVERI

Better half

After a first half loss Brown Boveri Kent, the instrument control group, has made pretax profits for the full year of £262,000 compared with £1m last time. Sales were up by £13m to £102.5m. The dividend has again been passed but the shares yesterday rose 2½p to 24p.

Brown Boveri, 54 per cent owned by the Swiss Brown Boveri group, says poor trading, particularly in the United Kingdom, was a consequence of the recession. Last year the restructuring programme, started in 1980 to boost productivity, was accelerated and redundancies cut the workforce to 3,100. These benefits should now be coming through but redundancy costs of £2,3m cover provisions for this year too.

JAMES WILKES

Dividend held

The sale of its business forms subsidiary coupled with a prolonged strike contributed last year to pretax losses of £716,000 at James Wilkes, the filing system to printing group, against taxable profits the previous year of £239,000.

Sales were 36 per cent down at £7.58m, excluding those of the business systems division, but the dividend for the year is being held at 5.86p gross with a 3.73p final, and the group says a profit of £25,000 was made in the first quarter of 1982.

This rate of profitability is expected to increase during the remainder of the year with borrowings, which were cut during 1981 from £1m to £134,000, remaining stable.

Disposal of Wilkes Business Forms cost £615,000 of which £169,000 represented trading losses. Loss per share including these trading losses would be 8.5p against the stated loss of 3.2p and an earnings figure in 1980 of 4.6p per share.

On a current cost basis, operating losses for the year rose from £116,000 to £839,000. Wilkes' shares shed 2p to 48p.

BOOSEY

Trumpeting

Improved productivity helped Boosey & Hawkes, the music publisher and musical instrument manufacturer, return to profits in 1981 with pretax earnings of £60,000 against the previous year's loss of £146,000.

Sales rose by 29 per cent from £17.7m to £22.85m but after the maintained half-year payment of 2.71p gross *there is no final* dividend against the 5.38p paid in 1980.

The board says productivity improvements and other other aspects of operations including the reduction of overheads have still to reach optimum levels, although progress is being achieved.

Music publishing activities *maintained their record* of growing profitability while the overseas companies generally did better in 1981.

The long term promise of the group is now enhanced by its stronger overseas presence, the board says, especially in the United States.

■ Flight Refuelling's scrip issue is one-for-two, and not a one-for-one issue as stated yesterday.

BIDS AND DEALS

Wellco Holdings has agreed the £2.4m sale of its Wellco Electric subsidiary to Newey and Eyre Group, subject to shareholders approval.

Bunzl proposes to acquire the 45.36 per cent interest in Friendly House Property Investment company that it does not already own for a total of £2.45m.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr W E Bailey has been appointed to the board of Alpine Holdings. Mr Bailey is managing director of its subsidiary, Alpine (Double-Glazing). Mr D J Atkins has joined the board of Alpine (Double-Glazing) as administration director.

Mr Philip Jacob has been appointed to the board of the City of Dublin Bank.

Mr Adam Thomson has been appointed a non-executive director of MEPC. Mr Thomson is chairman and chief executive of Caledonian Aviation Group and chairman of British Caledonian Airways. He also holds directorships with Williams & Glyn's Bank and Otis Elevators.

Mr Tony Butler has been appointed a director of Linfood Holdings. He is at present director and general manager of Kalle Infotech, a subsidiary of the West German chemical group Hoechst. He will be taking the post of group finance director of the Linfood Holdings Group, a post which has been vacant since the death of Mr J A Blades in December and will join Linfood at the beginning of June.

Mr G A Hazard has been promoted to the newly created position of managing director of Pentos.

Mr Robert Drummond has been appointed an assistant general manager of Industrial and Commercial Finance Corporation. Mr Drummond has been area manager of ICFC Leeds for six years.

Mr, Graham Turner is to succeed Mr C.E. Payne-Roberts as managing director of Doulton Bathrooms after his retirement after 29 years with the company.

COMMODITIES

COPPER: Higher grade copper closed barely steady yesterday.—Morning—Higher grade cash, £858.50-59.50; three months, £868-869. Settlement, £859.50. Sales: 16,100 tonnes. Cash standard cathodes, £853-854; three months, £881-882. Settlement, £854.00. Sales 550 tonnes.

TIN: Standard tin was irregular.—Morning—Standard cash £7190-7195; three months, £7350-7355. Settlement £7195. Sales, 21,025 tonnes. High grade, cash £7190-7195; three months, £7350-7355. Settlement, £7195. Sales, nil tonnes. Singapore tin ex-works, $M29.40 a picul.

LEAD was irregular. Morning.—Cash £323-323.50; three months £337.50-338. Settlement £323.50. Sales, 7.925 tonnes.

ZINC was steadier at the close.—Morning.—Cash £427.50 — 428; three months £431.50 — 453.00. Settlement, £428.00. Sales, 5.000 tonnes.

PLATINUM was at £190.20 ($341.25) a troy ounce.

SILVER was irregular. — Bullion market (fixing levels). — Spot, 394.50p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 706.00); three months, 407.30p (731.70c); six months, 420.70p (757.30c); one year, 447.50p (808.90c). London Metal Exchange. — Morning. — Cash 391-392.0p three months, 404.5-405p. Settlement 392.0p. Sales 45 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each.

ALUMINIUM was steady. — Morning. — Cash £553-553.50; three months £579.50-580. Settlement, £558.50. Sales 2,550 tonnes.

NICKEL was barely steady at the close after being firmer. — Morning — Cash £2,957-2,930; three months £3,002-3,005. Settlement, £2,940. Sales, 444 tonnes.

THE LONDON METAL EXCHANGE CLOSED AFTER THE MORNING SESSION YESTERDAY AND WILL REOPEN ON MAY 4.

RUBBER (pence per kilo): — Jne 59.70-59.90. Jly 60.20-60.90; Jly/Sep 60.50-60.70; Oct/Dec 61.80-61.90; Jan/Mch 63.50-63.60; Apl/Jne 64.90-65.10; Jly/Sep 66.50-66.60; Oct/Dec 68.10-68.20; Jan/Mch 69.50-69.90. Sales: 61 lots at five tonnes each and 349 at 15 tonnes (including two kerbs).

COFFEE. — ROBUSTAS (£ per tonne): May 1220-1222. Jly 1171-1172. Sep 1120-1124. Nov 1100-1105. Jan 1090-1093. Mch 1075-1088. May 1065-1084. Sales 2,184 lots, including two options.

COCOA (£ per metric ton). — Apl expired: May 955-956. Jly 991-992. Sep 1020-1021. Dec 1059-1061. Mch 1089-1090. May 1110-1111. Jly 1130-1131. Sales: 3,379 lots. ICCO prices: daily (April 29), 80.78 c; indicator price (April 30). 5-day average, 81.04 c. (US cents per lb.).

WOOL. — NZ Crossbreds No 2 contract (cents per kilo): — Aug 404-405. Oct 410-411. Dec 411-414. Jan 414-415. Mch 422-424. May 432-434. Aug 437-441. Oct 441-448. Sales, 26 lots

GRAIN. (The Baltic). — wheat — Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ unquoted. US dark northern spring, No 1, 14 per cent May 10 to June 10, £116.75; Jne £115.25; Jly £114 trans-shipment east coast seller. US hard winter, 13½ per cent, unquoted. EEC, unquoted. English feed fob: Oct £113 east coast seller.

MAIZE. — French: 1st half May £136.25 trans-shipment east coast seller. S Afr white — yellow, May/Jne £90.50 seller.

BARLEY. — English feed fob: May £118.50; Jne £119.25 east coast sellers; Jan/Mch £116.25 paid east coast. All cif UK unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). — EEC origin. — BARLEY: May, £117.60. Sept, £103.70; Nov, £107.55. Jan, £111.50; March, £114.85. Sales: 166 lots. WHEAT: May, £120.35. July, £123.95; Sept, £108.00. Nov, £111.80. Jan, £115.35; March, £119.50. Sales 156 lots.

● British Telecom plans to open business centres in the main cities to demonstrate office equipment available from the corporation. The company already has centres in London, Aldershot and Manchester and has one planned for Birmingham.

WALL STREET

New York, April 30. — Stock prices closed marginally higher, buoyed by reports that Argentina is ready to comly with a United Nations resolution seeking a peaceful solution to the Falklands crisis.

The Dow Jones industrial average gained 4½ points after the announcement at midday and closed at 848.36, up 3.42. Advances edged declines by around 720 to 660 and volume slumped to some 48,000,000 shares from 51,330,000 yesterday.

The Argentine Foreign Minister, Señor Costa Mendez, said his country was ready to comply with United Nations resolution 502 calling for an end to hostilities over the Falklands.

However, analysts said the market was still under considerable pressure from the lack of a budget compromise from President Reagan and Congress and the prospect of a long fight over that issue on the congressional floor.

They said Wall Street was concerned that the Federal budget would continue to balloon without a bipartisan budget agreement, *thus placing increased pressure* on interest rates and slowing down any economic recovery.

Also worrying the market were projections of an increase of as much as $4,000m in the weekly supply, announced after the close. It actually rose $1,900m for the week ended April 21.

Precious metal stocks suffered from the news about the Falklands which caused a drop of about $14.00 an ounce in the price of Gold, to around $342.

Issues in the group with losses included ASA, off 1⅝ to 33¾, Campbell Red Lake ¾ to 11⅞, Newmnont ⅛ to 34½, and Homestake 1⅛ to 23⅝.

Datapoint was one of the biggest losers, falling 4⅛ to 16⅝

	Apr 30	Apr 29
Allied Chem	34	34
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fst Chicago	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fst Intrst Bncp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fst Nat Boston	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fst Penn Corp	[illegible]	3
Ford	[illegible]	[illegible]
GAF Corp	13	[illegible]
Gen Dynamics	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Electric	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Foods	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Mills	41	[illegible]
Gen Motors	[illegible]	42
Gen Pub Util NY	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Tel Elec	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Tire	[illegible]	[illegible]
Phillips Petrol	[illegible]	[illegible]
Polaroid	[illegible]	[illegible]
PPG Ind	[illegible]	[illegible]
Proctor Gamble	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pub Ser El & Gas	[illegible]	[illegible]
Raytheon	[illegible]	[illegible]
RCA Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Republic Steel	[illegible]	20
Reynolds Ind	[illegible]	[illegible]
Reynolds Metal	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rockwell Int	[illegible]	[illegible]
Royal Dutch	[illegible]	[illegible]
Safeways	[illegible]	[illegible]
St Regis Paper	[illegible]	[illegible]
Santa Fe Ind	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Canadian Prices

*Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

LATEST RESULTS

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Davies & Newman (F)	154.4(153.8)	0.34(2.35)	1.0(44.6)	3(6.16)	—	3(9.24)
Ayreshire Metal (I)	12.14(14.25)	0.24a(0.25)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(2.0)
Cole Group (I)	19.3(4.7)	0.38a(0.29a)	0.9a(9.7)	2(2)	5/7	2(2)
B.B. kent (I)	102.5/9.4)	0.26(1.07)	4.21a(1.1)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Five Oaks (I)	0.95(0.031)	0.04(0.03a)	1.61(0.57a)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Boosy & H. (F)	22.86(17.7)	0.06(0.14a)	4.6a(6.5)	—(3.77)	—	1.9(5.67)
Bremner (F)	3.89(4.13)	0.24(0.54)	2.78(5.33)	3.1(3.1)	9/7	4.3(4.3)
J. Wilkes (F)	7.58(11.84)	0.71a(0.23)	3.2a(4.6)	2.6(2.6)	—	4.1(4.1)
Belgrave (I)	3.03(3.31)	0.15a(0.18a)	5.9a(3.6a)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Moss Bros. (F)	8.23(8.58)	0.15(0.038a)	3.17(1.5a)	1.5(1.0)	—	2.2(1.7)
Clayton, Son (F)	11.8(11.5)	0.1a(0.61)	11.9(39.3)	5(4.6)	—	6(6)
Sunlight Service (F)	30.04(23.58)	2.15(1.56)	13.21(12.21)	2.7(1.9)	19/6	3.3(2.5)
Fitzwilton (F)	—(—)	0.54(0.67)	—(—)	2(2)	14/5	—(5.5)
Edward Jones (F)	3.65(5.09)	0.14a(0.008)	3.4a(1.95)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Hallem Group (F)	11.3(11.1)	0.55a(0.083a)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
P. Maclellan (F)	3.0(5.56)	0.08(0.07)	2.3(2.2)	0.9(0.9)	—	1.4(1.4)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pretax and earnings are net. a=Loss. b=Adjusted.

Unit Trust Prices—change on the week

This table is published on Wednesday and Saturday—FT index change on week 57.3 + 8.0 (1.4%)

Prev W'end Offer	Ch'ge on Week	Trust	Current Bid	Current Offer	Current Yield
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Stock Exchange Prices

Late rally

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, April 30. Dealings End, May 14. § Contango Day, May 17. Settlement Day, May 24.

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.

Sterling: Spot and Forward

	Market rates (day's range) April 30	Market rates (close) April 30	1 month	3 months
New York	$1.7875-1.8050	$1.7930-1.7950	0.32-0.33c disc	0.50-0.60c disc
Montreal	$2.1790-2.1990	$2.1835-2.1855	0.38-0.48c disc	1.00-1.10c disc
Amsterdam	4.62-4.66fl	4.63-4.64fl	2¼-1¾c prem	6¼-5¾c prem
Brussels	78.70-79.50f	78.75-78.85f	20-30c disc	55-70c disc
Copenhagen	14.20-14.32k	14.26-14.27k	650-735ore disc	1945-2080ore disc
Dublin	1.2080-1.2160p	1.2100-1.2120p	60-75p disc	180-205p disc
Frankfurt	4.16½-4.20½m	4.18-4.19m	2-1½pf prem	5¼-4⅞pf prem
Lisbon	126.25-127.75e	126.50-127.00e	195-560c disc	405-1225c disc
Madrid	185.10-186.60p	185.75-185.95p	50-75c disc	185-220c disc
Milan	2317-2333lr	2329-2331lr	22½-25½lr disc	62-67lr disc
Oslo	10.69-10.77k	10.70-10.72k	745-845ore disc	970-1080ore disc
Paris	10.89-10.96f	10.91-10.93f	7½-10½c disc	23-27c disc
Stockholm	10.37-10.43k	10.40-10.42k	65-10ore prem	155-85ore prem
Tokyo	420-425y	422½-423½y	2.55-2.20y prem	6.70-6.35y prem
Vienna	29.30-29.50sch	29.38-29.43sch	15-11gro prem	37-30gro prem
Zurich	3.49-3.52f	3.51-3.52f	3¼-2¾c prem	8½-7¾c prem

Effective exchange rate compared to 1975, was down 0.1 at 89.6

Money Market Rates

Clearing Banks Base Rate 13%
Discount Mkt Loans%
Weekend: High 12½ Low 11½
Week Fixed: 12¾

Treasury Bills (Dis%)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	13	2 months	12⅞
3 months	13	3 months	12⅞

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) Trades (Dis%)

1 month	13¼-12⅞	1 month	14
2 months	13⅛-12¾	2 months	13¾
3 months	13¼-12⅞	3 months	13¾
6 months	12⅞-12¾	6 months	13¾

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	14¼-13⅞	7 months	13⅞-13¾
3 months	14¼-13⅞	8 months	13⅞-13½
3 months	14¼-13⅞	9 months	14¼-13¾
4 months	14¼-13⅞	10 months	14¼-13½
5 months	14¼-13⅞	11 months	14¼-13⅞
6 months	13⅞-13¾	12 months	14-13¾

Secondary Mkt. £CD Rates (%)

1 month	13⅞-13⅝	6 months	13¾-13⅝
3 months	13¾-13⅝	12 months	13¾-13⅝

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	13¾	3 months	13⅞
7 days	13½	6 months	13⅞
1 month	13½	1 year	13⅞

Interbank Market (%)
Weekend: Open 13 Close 14

1 week	13¼-12⅞	6 months	13⅞-13¾
1 month	13½-13⅜	9 months	13⅞-13¾
3 months	13⅞-13¾	12 months	13⅞-13¾

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate%)
3 months 14¼ 6 months 14¼

Finance House Base Rate 14%

Treasury Bill Tender

Applications	£376m	allotted	£100m
Bids at	£96.74½%	received	23%
Last week	£96.77½%	received	4%
Average rate	12.9765%	Last week	12.8910%
Next week	£100m	replace	£100m

Other Markets

Australia	1.6840-1.6990
Bahrein	0.6730-0.6760
Finland	8.1135-8.1535
Greece	111.65-113.65
Hongkong	10.3845-10.4245
Iran	n.a.
Kuwait	0.5100-0.5130
Malaysia	4.1335-4.1335
Mexico	82.30-83.30
New Zealand	2.3070-2.3270
Saudi Arabia	6.1255-6.1555
Singapore	3.7420-3.7720
South Africa	1.8650-1.8800

Dollar Spot Rates

* Ireland	1.4845-1.4875
† Canada	1.2191-1.2193
Netherlands	2.5880-2.5915
Belgium	44.07-44.08
Denmark	7.9225-7.9325
West Germany	2.3325-2.3345
Portugal	70.70-71.20
Spain	103.30-103.50
Italy	1296.50-1298.50
Norway	5.9675-5.9757
France	6.0950-6.1050
Sweden	5.7850-5.7950
Japan	235.50-236.00
Austria	16.34-16.36
Switzerland	1.9560-1.9590

* Ireland quoted in US currency.
† Canada $1 : US $0.8201-0.8203

Euro-$ Deposits

(%) calls, 14-15; seven days, 15-15¼; one month, 14⅞-15⅛; three months, 14⅞-14⅞; six months, 14⅞-14⅞.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $356.75 (an ounce); pm, $361.25 close, $362.
Krugerrand* (per coin): $367.5-369.5 (£205-206).
Sovereigns* (new): $86-87 (£48-48.50).
* Excludes VAT

TEA

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
230	178	Assam Frontier	220	-3	14.3	6.5	
468	415	Camellia Inv	463		8.6	1.9	
380	230	McLeod Russel	265	-2	11.8	4.1	
153	101	Do 8.4% Cnv Pf	101	-2	12.0	11.9	
295	256	Moran	293		7.1	2.4	
138	93	Surmah Valley	125	..	1.4	1.1	

MISCELLANEOUS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
46	27½	Calcutta Elec	43	..	8.8	20.4	
34½	29	Essex Wtr 3.5%	£33½	..	500	14.9	
34	29	Gt Nthn Tele	£32	..	82.2	2.6	12.2
265	150	Imp Cont Gas	190	-3	11.9	6.2	12.0
158	93	Milford Docks	132	..	0.7	0.5	
193	120	Nesco Inv	120	..	10.0	8.3	
35	29½	Sunderlnd Wtr	£33½	..	500	14.9	

• Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre-merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

RECENT ISSUES

	Closing Price
A I M Group 10p Ord (140)	157+3
Amersham International 25p Ord (142)	209-1
Bristol Water 9% Red Pf 1987 (†b)	£11
Dew George 25p Ord	126
Fleet Holdings 20p Ord	22½
In Technology 5p Ord (250a)	248
Jebsens Drilling 25p Ord (a)	265
Lee Valley Water 9½% Red Pf 1987 (*)	£101
Leisure Industries 25p Ord (120a)	124
Oceonics 10p Ord (130a)	170+2
Osprey Assets 25p Ord	30
PH Industrials 25p Ord	42½+1
Standard Securities 25p Ord	137
Television South West 5p Ord	17
Treasury 2% Index Linked 1988 (†h)	£96¾+¼

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renun	
Ansbacher H. (10‡)	Jun 18	11½ prem
Bank Leumi UK (170‡)	July 24	15 prem
Lilley FJC (120‡)	Jun 4	32 prem
Queens Moat (27‡)	May 27	27f
Steel Bros (170‡)	..	51 prem
Vickers (133‡)	Jun 10	16 prem-2

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a unlisted securities market. b. £10 paid. f fully paid. g £40 paid. h £50 paid. i £35 paid. j £55 paid. k Issued in units of sixteen shares and £5 nominal loan stock at £9 per unit.

RUGBY UNION

Moseley are quietly confident

By Peter West
Rugby correspondent

One must be chary of discounting Moseley's chances against Gloucester in the John Player Cup final at Twickenham this afternoon. Their victory over the holders, Leicester, in the last round surprised most of us, and it may even have come as a bit of a surprise to them, too.

Before that success at the Reddings, the more pessimistic among Moseley's supporters were suggesting that their side had got as far in this season's knock-out competition as might reasonably be expected. Now, of course, the tune is rather different. Having lost in the first final of all, to Gloucester in 1972, and then again to Leicester in 1979, Moseley now have an opportunity to win the title at the first time of asking.

They enter today's game with a quiet conviction that they can beat the favourites, provided they hold their own in the set pieces. The activities of Davidson at number four should provide a fair share of line-out ball, but are they capable of holding Gloucester in the scrummages?

That seems to be the key question. It is difficult to believe that Gloucester's front row will fail to exert a telling pressure. And let no one underestimate the potential of their trio of loose forwards, one of whom, the flanker, Longstaff passed a fitness test yesterday afternoon.

The Moseley stand-off half, Perry, scored 17 points against London Welsh in the quarter final round, and all twelve against Leicester in the last one.

Cooper, Nutt, Jeavons and Cox are the four survivors from the Moseley side which lost the final to Leicester in 1979. Mills, Mogg and Boyle, the Gloucester stalwarts, were in the winning team against the same opposition a year earlier. May today's encounter erase for ever the memory of an abrasive, unfortunate game a decade ago.

Ulster begin a short tour of Rumania when they meet the current leaders of the Rumanian club championship, Dynamo Bucarest, David Hands writes. They are the second Irish Provincial side to visit Rumania, following the paths trodden by Leinster two years ago. When the Rumanian national league visited Ireland in October, 1980, they beat Ulster by only two points.

Ulster do, however, break new ground by visiting Iasi in northern Rumania; no British side has played in that area. Ulster who include the Irish wing Keith Crossan in the party, which is managed by Ken Reid and coached by Willie John McBride, meet the local Polyteknica side on Wednesday.

FOOTBALL: EUROPEAN CUP FINALISTS PENALIZED £70,000

Soldier of Villa's misfortune

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

Barton: Trouble in final?

Aston Villa won their third match against Anderlecht yesterday at a cost of an estimated £70,000. The European Football Union, after a lengthy disciplinary committee meeting, decided to reject Anderlecht's appeal concerning crowd disturbances in Brussels and to allow Villa to play in the European Cup final against Bayern Munich in Rotterdam on May 26. That much was to be expected.

So, sadly, was UEFA's misguided reaction to the troubles which caused the second leg of the semi-final to be held up for seven minutes. They fined Villa £14,500, the biggest penalty imposed on any club for four years, and ordered their next home European tie to be staged behind closed doors. West Ham United, similarly punished two years ago, lost about £40,000 through their "silent night" against Castilla at Upton Park, a smaller ground than Villa's.

The incidents were caused by drunken louts, some so-called followers of Villa, who mingled with the Anderlecht supporters. Fighting broke out after one idiot lay supine on the penalty spot as Anderlecht mounted one of their rare attacks. The offender, a Scottish soldier based in Germany, was immediately hauled away and seemed to be knocked unconscious by a baton wielded by a policeman.

Villa, mercifully, escaped such a heavy blow but, as in West Ham's case, the club have done no more to avoid the problem. The 1,500 members of their supporters' club under their control had submitted photographs and passport numbers before they left Birmingham. Tucked away in a corner of the tightly enclosed stadium, they behaved impeccably throughout the ugly evening.

Anderlecht, fined a mere £5,000, allowed tickets to be sold openly on the eve and on the day of the match and also failed to segregate the two factions inside the ground. As some of the English visitors bought, and subsequently wore, hats and scarves in the purple and white colours of the Belgians, that task was far from easy.

It is these stray travellers, who disturbed the peace in the cities of Ostend and Brussels as well, who are to blame. They alone should be punished — and be seen to be punished. As it was, the 27 that were arrested were released at once and ordered to leave the country.

As John Lyall, West Ham's manager, incensed by the violence in Madrid in 1980, said: "These people are criminals and should be locked up for a long time."

Villa fear that the same element may mar the day that should be the most memorable in their glamorous history. Seven years ago, it is as well to remember, Leeds United were banned from Europe for two years after their supporters rioted during the European Cup Final in Paris. Their opponents were Bayern Munich.

This month Feyenoord, the host club, bear the unenviable responsibility of distributing 28,000 tickets. Villa and Bayern will each receive 14,000. Villa, claiming that their record of good behaviour in Europe had not been taken into account, are to make representations to the government about licensed coaches and British Rail carrying about 600 potential spectators from Birmingham to Brussels without match tickets being issued from Villa Park.

Tony Barton, Villa's manager, commented: "We are pleased that our fans can go to the final but we are concerned that the same thing could happen again. Our punishment seems excessive but I think UEFA are making examples of us. Perhaps they also had the World Cup in mind." After a board meeting Villa decided not to appeal.

City upset at Francis

By Stuart Jones

Silence rarely pervades the corridors of Maine Road. Yesterday was no exception. John Bond, Manchester City's manager, and John Benson, his assistant, combined in a clarion call of protests concerning one of their players, Francis, injured during England's convincing victory over Wales at Ninian Park on Tuesday night.

Mr Bond warned that Francis, who scored the winner, may not *be made available for the World* Cup competition if his groin complaint has not cleared up *within the next two or three* weeks. "Ron Greenwood and England know that he can't go into the tournament without having the injury cleared by a *specialist. That is what we are trying to do at the moment.*

"I have talked over the situation with him and we both realise that England cannot afford to take a player to Spain who is in any way a risk," he added. Mr Bond then added another surprise for today's game at Aston Villa by recalling Booyer who has only recently returned from Hongkong where he was on loan to Bulova, as deputy for Francis.

Mr Benson's dispute is with the Football Association. He feels the FA should compensate those clubs who lose players injured whilst serving their country. This is the second time this season that City have lost Francis after an international.

City are not alone. Tottenham Hotspur will be without Hoddle, hurt by Nicholas's disgracefully late tackle, for their next four games and West Ham United may not be able to play Goddard, injured in England's Under-21 triumph over Scotland on Wednesday night, in their game against Arsenal.

Today's programme, indeed, is *notable for international absen*tees. Souness, for instance, has recovered from his back trouble but cannot reclaim his place in Liverpool's side against Nottingham Forest. *Bob Paisley, back in* charge after suffering from pleurisy, selects the same team searching for their 11th successive victory. Forest, without the injured Shilton, drop Fashanu as well.

Manchester United's list of missing persons is lengthy. Birtles, Buchan and Moses are out; Gidman, Moran and Coppell may be. Southampton are unlikely to have Keegan, injured in reaching for the plug in his bath, in their side at Old Trafford but at least his back is not as bad as was first feared.

Bristol City sack Hodgson

Roy Hodgson, manager of Bristol City during the most traumatic spell in their history, has been dismissed after four months in charge.

Mr Hodgson took over in a caretaker capacity when Bobby Houghton resigned in January and was plunged into the "Ashton Gate eight" crisis, as it was known. City were faced with extinction unless eight of their best-paid players accepted redundancy. The players eventually went, which meant that Hodgson had to select a team from reserves and youngsters.

He was officially appointed manager 10 weeks ago, but City have lost 10 and drawn two of their last 12 matches, and look doomed to relegation from the third division.

Mr Hodgson has a contract and becomes a creditor of the old Bristol City company which folded early in February. Gerry Sharpe, whose playing career was cut short in 1969 by a serious leg injury, has been appointed caretaker-manager. Sharpe has been youth team manager for the last three years.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Fourth division: Darlington 1, Tranmere 2; Stockport 0, Northampton 0.

Spanish ticket to trouble

England's three World Cup matches in Bilbao will probably be sell-outs, although tournament officials are concerned about ticket sales in other parts of Spain. Unsold tickets will be available on the day of matches, even though this could mean rival supporters being in the same part of a ground.

"The organizers are concerned about the number of tickets they have been left with," Ted Croker, the Football Association secretary, who met his European counterparts *in Dresden this* week, said.

"But the problem really seems *to be with the larger stadia which* hold 60,000 or more. They expect our games in Bilbao to be sold out."

Mr Croker said the FA were going ahead with arrangements for the World Cup on the assumption that England would take part although they might be forced to withdraw because of the Falklands crisis.

Ladbrokes have suspended betting on the World Cup. "We want to be fair to ourselves and the punters," a spokesman said. "Because of the Falklands situation there is so much uncertaincy about who will take part in the World Cup.

Luton are up, up and away

By Norman Fox

Luton Town 4
Shrewsbury Town 1

Soon enough Luton Town will discover whether they are good enough for the first division. For the moment it is sufficient to welcome the promotion of a businesslike little club with an industrious team who last night at Kenilworth Road gained three points to win promotion.

Shrewsbury's interest in the match was far less pleasurable. The team who had beaten Ipswich Town in the FA Cup were now battling against relegation. For some while their needs dictated the character of a game Luton had been told to enjoy. The lack of discipline was all too evident in Luton's display until, in the end, they ran out comfortable winners.

It took them ages to promote their first modest attack but after 15 minutes of football inappropriate to the occasion they undeservedly took the lead. A long clearance from Findlay ought to have been controlled by Griffiths; he failed and Stein had no trouble *in* lobbing the ball over Wardle.

The lead was not put in peril *when* Stephens chested down a centre almost on the goalline, unaware that Bates was on his shoulder. Findlay saved the situation but Luton remained insecure. Their football is dependent on the first touch being accurate and here it regularly went astray.

But for the diligent organizing of Horton at the back Luton would have been penalized for their slackness. Meanwhile Shrewsbury disguised their despair without doing more than look slightly too good for the third division.

In the circumstances Luton could not complain when, with 30 *minutes* left, a long centre from Tong was volleyed past their goalkeeper by Atkins. Shrewsbury's stubbornness was creditable but in the end was overcome. A corner from Moss was headed back across the penalty area by Donaghy for Hill *to send in a fierce volley.*

That came on the hour and a minute later a spirited breakaway by White on the left culminated with a fine shot into the far corner. The first division beckoned Luton and was secured when Moss tore away down the left and cut a shot between Wardle and the near post.

LUTON TOWN: J Findlay; K Stephens, R Money, B Horton, C Goodyear, M Donaghy, R Hill, B Stein, S White, L Fuccillo, D Moss.
SHREWSBURY TOWN: T Wardle; R MacLaren, P Johnson, G Turner, C Griffin, J Keay, G Tong, B McNally, I Atkins, S Cross, C Bates.
Referee: B Hill (Wellingborough).

ROUND UP

Sponsors ponder GP pullout

Casablanca, April 30. — Teams who boycotted last Sunday's San Marino Grand Prix will take part in next month's Belgian and Monaco events despite the breakdown in talks aimed at resolving the formula one crisis. Yesterday sponsors, tired of the squabbles, threatened to pull out of grand prix racing.

As the second day of a two-day meeting of the International Motor Sport Federation (FISA) ended after more than eight hours of talks, sponsors warned that they were no longer prepared to tolerate the never-ending disputes "which are only detrimental to formula one racing".

Sir Clive Bossom, chairman of the RAC Motor Sport Council, said: "Marlboro [McLaren team sponsors] have warned us that they like exposure but not feuding. Clearly, enough could soon be enough."

Wembley test for youngsters

Tomorrow at Wembley the gymnastics fraternity chooses its junior boy and girl gymnast of the year in the finals of the national competition sponsored by Thames TV. The winners receive grants of £500 each towards further training in this country or abroad.

Altogether 16 young gymnasts have won through to Wembley. The boys will present exercises on the floor, pommel horse, rings, vault, parallel bars and horizontal bars, while the girls perform on the vault, asymmetric bars, beam and floor.

Rafter leads Bristol

The England international, Mike Rafter, will captain Bristol Rugby Club next season. Rafter, aged 30, has never previously led his club side, although he has captained Gloucestershire in the county championship. The present captain, Alan Morley, will act as Rafter's deputy.

Anti-climax for Soviet Union

Helsinki, April 30 — The Soviet Union could not finish the 1982 world ice hockey championships as they wished last night. The Soviets, who had made sure of their eighteenth world title five days ago when they still had two matches to play, were held to a goalless draw by the runners-up Czechoslovakia in their last match to spoil their 100 per cent record.

Czechoslovakia, world champions five times, have now finished second on 11 occasions. Canada defeated Sweden 6-0 in their last match to come third with the same number of points as the Czechoslovaks.

THURSDAY'S MATCHES: Canada 6, Sweden 0; Soviet Union 0, Czechoslovakia 0

Final positions:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Soviet Union	10	9	1	0	58	20	19
Czechoslovakia	10	5	2	3	38	20	12
Canada	10	5	2	3	36	30	12
Sweden	10	3	3	4	26	35	9

— Agence France-Presse

Huewen is badly injured

Britains' most promising motor cycling Grand Prix rider Keith Huewen, 24, was flown to hospital with serious chest injuries following a high speed double crash during practice for the Austrian grand prix at Salzburgring yesterday (Adrian Blue writes).

Huewen's works Suzuki cartwheeled across the track when it collided with the wreckage of Austrian Alois Hager's bike. Hager had crashed seconds before. Huewen was thrown 20 yards to the embankment where he lay very white and still. The extent of his injuries were unknown.

Taunton NH

6.0: 1, Sombrero (11-8 fav); 2, Testing Time (6-1); 3, Buckenham Belle (10-1). 9 ran. NR Bow Lane.
6.30: 1, Wheel-Em-Boy (9-1); 2, Vardes (25-1); 3, Anisimsky (25-1). Bobtree 4-5 fav. 8 ran. NR Slashooter.
7.0: 1, Allied Safeniite (5-2); 2, Freeze Frame (11-10 fav); 3, Bulging Pockets (4-1). 5 ran. NR Allende.
7.30: 1, Stoke Rivers (33-1); 2, Ocean Patrol (12-1); 3, Lucky Eagle (7-4 fav). 8 ran.
8.0: 1, Cornish Granite (5-2); 2, Freight Forwarder (7-4 fav); 3, Quillery (7-1). 9 ran.
8.30: 1, Solerof (11-1); 2, Banknore (5-4); 3, Johns Present (11-10). 4 ran.

Weekend fixtures

Kick-off 3.00 unless stated

First division
Arsenal v West Ham
Aston Villa v Manchester City
Coventry v Tottenham Hotspur
Ipswich v Middlesbrough
Leeds v Stoke
Liverpool v Nottingham F.
Manchester United v Southampton
Notts County v Birmingham
Sunderland v Brighton
Swansea v Everton
Wolverhampton v West Bromwich

Second division
Blackburn v Newcastle
Charlton v Watford
Crystal Palace v Barnsley
Derby v Cardiff
Grimsby v Oldham
Leicester v Norwich
Orient v Rotherham
Queens Park Rangers v Bolton
Sheffield Wednesday v Chelsea
Wrexham v Cambridge United

Third division
Brentford v Doncaster
Bristol City v Gillingham
Carlisle v Wimbledon
Chesterfield v Swindon
Fulham v Reading
Lincoln v Bristol Rovers
Newport v Burnley (3.15)
Oxford United v Millwall
Plymouth v Preston
Portsmouth v Chester
Southend v Huddersfield
Walsall v Exeter

Fourth division
Aldershot v Scunthorpe
Blackpool v Hereford
Bournemouth v Hull
Bury v Colchester (3.15)
Crewe v Sheffield United
Halifax v Hartlepool
Mansfield v Torquay
Peterborough v Wigan
Port Vale v York
Rochdale v Bradford City

Scottish premier division
Celtic v Hibernian
Dundee v Aberdeen
Morton v Rangers
Partick Thistle v Airdrie
St Mirren v Dundee United

Scottish first division
Clydebank v Dunfermline
East Stirlingshire v Kilmarnock
Hamilton v Falkirk
Hearts v Dumbarton
Queen of the South v Motherwell
Queen's Park v St Johnstone
Raith Rovers v Ayr

Scottish second division
Albion Rovers v Clyde
Alloa v Stranraer
Arbroath v East Fife
Brechin v Berwick
Cowdenbeath v Stirling Albion
Forfar v Montrose
Stenhousemuir v Meadowbank

Rugby Union
JOHN PLAYER CUP: Final: Gloucester v Moseley (at Twickenham).
CLUB MATCHES: Broughton Park v Kendal; Camborne v Torquay; Exeter v Bristol; Lydney v Rugby; New Brighton v Bath; Northampton v Llanelli; Nottingham v Cheltenham; Orrell v Vale of Lune; Sale v Sheffield.

Rugby League
CHALLENGE CUP: Final: Hull v Widnes (at Wembley).

Lacrosse
English Club Championship: Iroquois Cup: Final: Hampstead v Sheffield University (Motspur Park, London, 3.0).
North of England League: First division: Cheadle v Old Stopfordians; South Manchester & Wythenshawe v Stockport; Urmston v Old Waconians.

Motor sport
DONINGTON PARK: European touring car championship third round.

Croquet
Cheltenham open championship (Cheltenham Club)

Golf
Lytham Trophy (Royal Lytham and St. Annes)

Tennis
Cumberland Cup (Cumberland LTC)

Race walking
English Schools championships (Southend)

Road running
Sri Chinmoy (Ipswich).
Chichester to Portsmouth 25KM

ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: Barnet v Boston United; Barrow v Gravesend and Northfleet; Bagenham v A. P. Leamington; Frickley v Weymouth; Maidstone v Kettering; Northwich v Dartford; Stafford v Bath (3.15); Telford v Runcorn; Trowbridge v Altrincham; Worcester v Enfield; Yeovil v Scarborough.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland division: Barry v Corby; Bridgend v Bedworth; Bromsgrove v Milton Keynes; Cambridge City v Taunton; Cheltenham v Alvechurch; Kidderminster v Banbury; Minehead v Stourbridge; Nuneaton v Bedford; Redditch v Gloucester; Wellingborough v Enderby; Witney v Merthyr Tydfil. Southern division: Addlestone and Weybridge v Tonbridge; Basingstoke v Dover; Canterbury v Aylesbury; Chelmsford v Waterlooville; Crawley v Poole; Dorchester v Hillingdon; Fareham v Welling; Folkestone v Andover; Hastings v Thanet; Salisbury v Hounslow; Wealdstone v Ashford.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Burton v King's Lynn; Gainsborough v Mossley; Lancaster v Gateshead; Macclesfield v Grantham; Marine v Worksop; Morecambe v Buxton; Netherfield v Bangor; Oswestry v Southport; South Liverpool v Goole; Workington v Tamworth.

CENTRAL LEAGUE (2.0 unless stated): Bolton Wanderers v Aston Villa; Burnley v Leeds United; Huddersfield Town v Derby County; Manchester City v Coventry City; Newcastle United v Sheffield Wednesday; Nottingham Forest Res. v Blackburn Rovers; Preston North End v Manchester United; Stoke City v Liverpool (3.0); West Bromwich Albion v Bury.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Birmingham City v Orient; Bristol Rovers v Crystal Palace; Norwich City v Oxford United (2.30); Southampton v Chelsea; Swindon Town v *Ipswich Town (2.0)*; Watford v Fulham; West Ham United v Arsenal (2.0).

MIDLAND LEAGUE: Boston v Spalding; Bridlington v Heanor; Brigg v Belper; Eastwood v Ashby; Ilkeston v Guisborough; Long Eaton v Mexborough; Skegness v Sutton Town.

WOMEN'S FA CUP: Final: Cleveland v Lowestoft (at QPR FC, 12.30).

F.A. COUNTY YOUTH CUP: Final: Kent v Devon (at Gravesend and Northfleet).

SUSSEX SENIOR CUP: Final (at Brighton) Bognor Regis Town v Peacehaven and Telscombe.

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Billericay Town v Sutton United; Boreham Wood v Croydon; Carshalton Athletic v Bishop's Stortford; Harlow Town v Dulwich Hamlet; Hayes v Walthamstow Avenue; Leatherhead v Wycombe Wanderers; Leytonstone & Ilford v Woking; Tooting & Mitcham v Slough Town. *First division*: Aveley v Chesham United; Epsom and Ewell v Hornchurch; Hertford Town v Farnborough Town; Lewes v St. Albans City; Oxford City v Metropolitan Police. Second division: Cheshunt v Egham Town; Dorking Town v Tring Town; Harwich and Parkeston v Southall; Hemel Hempstead v Worthing; Horsham v Barton Rovers; Hungerford Town v Eastbourne United; Molesey v Letchworth; Windsor and Eton v Rainham Town.

ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Banstead Athletic v Harefield United; Chertsey Town v Kingsbury Town; Leyton-Wingate v Horley; Redhill v Marlow; Uxbridge v Chalfont St Peter; Whyteleafe v Ruislip Manor; Woodford Town v Burnham.

WESTERN LEAGUE: Cup final: Bridgwater v Falmouth (at Dawlish).

Tomorrow

Football
Alliance Premier League: Runcorn v Dartford (11.15).

Rugby Union
Loughborough Student sevens (12.00). Twickenham Centenera sevens (Twickenham, 12.30).

Athletics
UAU championships (Crystal Palace NSC)

Croquet
Cheltenham open championships (Cheltenham Club)

Golf
Lytham Trophy (Royal & St Annes)

Race walking
Plymouth to Dawlish 42 mile walk (Plymouth, 7am)

Rowing
Metropolitan Regatta (Thorpe Water Park)

Shooting
RAF small bore pistol inter-unit and individual championships (RAF Uxbridge)
RAFTR v Army TR (Bisley)

Squash rackets
Boddingtons Open Tournament (Commonwealth S.C., Blackpool)
Isle of Wight Open (Isle of Wight S.C.)
Isle of Man Open (All Island SRC, Onchan).
Dunlop Aquagrip National Junior Club Championships — Finals (Manchester S.C.).

RUGBY LEAGUE

Big question mark against Hull

By Keith Macklin

Psychology and the conditioned reflex may play vital roles in the Challenge Cup final at Wembley today. If current form is the only arbiter, Hull will win since they have been playing attractive winning rugby with flair and free scoring style. Widnes meanwhile, have struggled and fumbled their way through the closing stages of the season.

However, there is something about the special atmosphere of Wembley that can bring the best and the worst out of teams, a clear case of mind over matter which has several times in the past provided the difference between winning and losing on the big occasion. Widnes, who are appearing in their sixth final in eight seasons, have won the cup three times since 1975 and are unlikely to be overawed by the crowd or the occasion.

The question mark is against the reactions of the Hull team. Three times in 1959, 1960 and 1980, Hull have been afflicted with the paralysis of the fingers and the buckling of the knees that is the Wembley syndrome. Hull have never won at Wembley, have won the Challenge Cup only once in nine attempts, and were last successful in 1914. This is a heavy psychological burden to bear.

If the Hull coach, Arthur Bunting, can send out his side brimming with the confidence of recent high scoring success, reminding his players that they beat Widnes 23-3 last Sunday, the cup should go to to The Boulevard. At loose forward Norton is at the peak of his form, and Skerrett and Stone do the work of two men each. In the back division the New Zealanders Kemble, O'Hara and Leuluai are full of running, although Leuluai will find his place under pressure from the powerful Day.

Widnes, move Hughes to stand-off half to try to counter-act the elusive Topliss, and the coach, Doug Laughton, takes the risk of bringing in the experienced Cunningham at centre, despite his troublesome spinal injury. With three former Lance Todd Trophy winners in the squads, Topliss for Hull, and Burke and Lockwood for Widnes there is no lack of big name experience.

YACHTING

Law threatens Cudmore's cup

Harold Cudmore, the holder, and Chris Law were level on points with three wins each at the end of the first day's racing for the Long Life Royal Lymington Cup in Christchurch Bay yesterday, John Nichols writes. A total of 15 match races between pairs of boats were held, leaving another 30 races to go before each of the 10 invited helmsmen will have sailed against each of the others.

So far the pre-series favourites have been kept apart, with the exception of Cudmore and Phil Crebbin, his colleague in the Victory Syndicates Americas Cup challenge. In their race Cudmore out-manoeuvred Crebbin at the start and led throughout the race. What could well be the decisive match of the series will be today's final race between Cudmore and Law. Before that Law will have to face Crebbin, which might also affect the destiny of the trophy.

Results: (GB unless stated) H. Cudmore and C. Law 3 pts; J. Bertrand (Australia), P Crebbin and R. Roscoe 2 pts, I. Murray (Australia) J. Oakeley and B Banks 1pt; M Pelaschier (Italy) and R Morgan (US) 0 pts

CRICKET

Ellis and Moulding answer Oxford call

By Alan Gibson
OXFORD: *Oxford University drew with Worcestershire.*

It was another cold and windy day. I should think the Worcestershire sweater average was about 2.75 per man. Oxford, following on, began 167 behind with all second innings wickets in hand. The score, 23 at the start, had increased by lunch to 73, still no wicket down. Fifty-one overs had been bowled in all so you can tell it was not exhilarating.

Nevertheless Oxford had no choice but to play fro a draw, and needed their opening batsmen to show some form. Ellis and Moulding had an anxious time for a while against Pridgeon and Perryman. Moulding had already had some luck on Thursday evening and it looked as if he might have been caught at second slip, but Younis, the fieldsman, indicated that the ball had not carried, a pleasing gesture once regarded as commonplace.

Pridgeon had a confident but unsuccessful shout for leg-before against Ellis. There were several stray edges but at lunch they were still there, and had, if stodgily, found their form.

In the afternoon they began to move along more freely with some help from Worcestershire, for whom Gifford and Patel bowled, pausing only to change ends. Neither could find anything in the pitch and Gifford resorted to an assortment of donkey drops, often from the back of his hand.

However, the batsmen resisted these *devious temptations until*, at 162 Moulding swept at the wrong ball from Gifford and was bowled. Soon afterwards Ellis was leg-before to Patel. If Cowan had been out first ball, which he played at and missed, Oxford could still have been in trouble.

At tea the score was 172 for two, 18 behind. Gifford continued to bowl with variety and optimism and when he had Cowan caught by short midwicket at 189, there was another tremor of anxiety. It was a half and half stroke, the old fox battling the young hound. But Oxford batted thereafter until the match was safe.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First innings, 401 for 2 dec
G M Turner 243 not out, Younis Ahmed 70 not out, J A Ormrod 66
OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First innings, 211
G D R Toogood 83, R S Cowan 76; A P Pridgeon 3 fr 5

Second innings

*R G P Ellis lbw b Patel	92
R P Moulding b Gifford	67
K A Hayes not out	23
R S Cowan c Ormrod b Gifford	3
G D R Toogood not out	5
Extras b4, lb7, nb1	12
Total 3 wickets	202

J Chesser, H Rawlinson, R S Luddington, S J Ridge, T J Taylor and J Curtis did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-162, 2-172, 3-189.
BOWLING: Pridgeon, 14-5-24-0; Perryman 24-13-38-0; Inchmore 8-3-11-0; Gifford 47-27-55-2; Patel 37-16-64-1; Neal 2-2-0-0.
Umpires: D J Constant and M J Kitchen

Gatting in England form

CAMBRIDGE: *Middlesex beat Cambridge University by eight wickets.*

The England batsman, Mike Gatting, sounded a warning to the Indian touring victory over Cambridge University at Fenner's yesterday. Gatting hit four sixes and 18 fours as Middlesex reached a winning target of 292 in just three hours with eight overs to spare.

Gatting collected 26 from one over by the spinner Simon Doggartt, who took the only two Middlesex wickets to fall. Radley gave him admirable support with a sprightly 72, which included 11 fours. The pair put on 145 for the first wicket.

Brearly declared 149 runs behind and Cambridge's captain, *Pringle, responded* with an unbeaten 72 before he closed the innings at 142 for two. Earlier Varey had scored his maiden first class 50.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: First innings: 380 for 6 dec (S P Henderson 209 *not out*, J P C Mills 98)

Second innings

J P C Mills lbw b Selvey	10
D W Varey not out	51
R J Boyd-Moss c Slack b Williams	0
*D R Pringle not out	72
Extras (b3, lb4, nb2)	9
Total (2 wkts dec)	142

S P Henderson, S J G Doggart, A J Pollock, † C S E Goldie, K I Hodson, C C Ellison and R W M Palmer did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-31, 2-33.
BOWLING: Selvey, 11-3-21-1; Williams, 8-2-20-1; Merry, 7-1-13-0; Edmonds, 14-4-42-0; Emburey, 11-3-37-0.

MIDDLESEX: First innings, 231 for 2 (W N Slack 114, J M Brearley 60; Bowling: Palmer, 10.2 — 0 — 51 — 0; Pringle, 16 — 3 — 41 — 1; Ellison, 10 — 1 — 35 — 0; Hodgson, 6 — 0 — 27 — 0; Pollock, 9 — 0 — 41 — 1; Doggart, 4 — 1 — 18 — 0.

Second innings

C T Radley, st Goldie, b Doggart	72
M W Gatting, not out	184
G D Barlow, l-b-w, b Doggart	6
P H Edmonden, not out	38
Extras (l-b 9, w 1, n-b 2)	12
Total (2 wkts)	292

FALL OF WICKETS: *J M Brearley, W N Slack, J E Emburey, † P R Downton, M W W Selvey, N Williams and W G Merry did not bat.
BOWLING: Palmer, 7 — 0 — 37 — 0; Pringle, 9.3 — 0 — 45 — 0; Hodgson, 5 — 1 — 24 — 0; Pollock, 9 — 1 — 55 — 0; Ellison, 9 — 1 — 42 — 0.
Umpires: A G T Whitehead and J Holder.

Gavaskar: "We want to win and entertain."

Indians 'accept' Lamb

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

The Indian cricketers arrived in London yesterday, 50 years on from the time when C K Nayudu brought them here to play their inaugural Test match. It was not long before they were being asked how they would react to Allan Lamb, with his South African unbringing, being chosen to play against them.

Well, their manager, Raj Singh, an articulate member of one of the old princely families, said that so far as he and his players were concerned the selection of Lamb would be perfectly acceptable. Though unable to speak for the Indian government, he implied that they, too, would raise no objections. Perhaps because they know that if they do the tour will be no more.

The manager confessed to being "a little apprehensive" about the bowling, though he seemed to think that the presence of four "seamers," rather than the usual battery of spinners, would be a help. It probably will, too, in an average English summer; but it would be the greatest pity if they were to begin too think that ordinary medium pace, because it is so much easier to bowl, is preferable to flighted spin.

The Indians play their first match, a traditional and family affair, against the Indian gymkhana at Osterley tomorrow, and their second at Arundel next Wednesday.

□ Earlier, at Heathrow Airport, the captain, Sunil Gavaskar, told journalists: "We want to win and entertain this time. An over rate of 16 an hour should guarantee a lot more entertainment for the fans." He added: "I admit that in India our priority was to win — but I now believe it should be possible to entertain and win at the same time. I will certainly be encouraging my team to have a more positive approach to the game."

Mr Singh added: "The team will certainly have a much more positive attitude, weather and wickets permitting. I would like the matches to be pleasing for the players, those watching and the millions listening back at home in India."

Hendrick's debut

England paceman Mike Hendrick makes his first class debut for Nottinghamshire, against MCC at Lord's today.

Award for Times man

Richard Streeton, a cricket writer with The Times received the Cricket Society's 1981 Silver Jubilee Literary award for his book *P.G.H. Fender: A Biography* (Faber and Faber) in London last night at the society's spring dinner. The award is made annualy for what is considered to be the best written book published on cricket. John Woodcock, our Cricket Correspondent, won the award in 1980 together with E.W. Swanton for their editorship of The Bardays World of Cricket.

GOLF

James lets his putting do the talking

From Mitchell Platts,
Sardinia, April 30

Mark James is an articulate chap, although some of his actions may have conveyed an impression that his character is a little suspect. Four years ago, in an Italian Open, he took no less than 111 in one round after sustaining an injury to his wrist. He excused his decision to play half a dozen holes with one hand on the basis that he had incurred a fine for withdrawing from another tournament with a legitimate injury.

By coincidence, that particular incident took place on this Mediterranean island, some 250 miles north of here at Pevero, but he completely erased any lingering memories of the experience by compiling a superb 67 in the second round of the £50,000 Italian Open on the Is Molas course today.

If there is a chink in his armour, it has to be on the greens, where his putting stroke has been far from consistent. For the moment he has cleared his head of that particular worry, because he required only 27 putts today on the way to a halfway aggregate of 137, whichis seven under par.

By his own admission he received considerable assistance from his English caddie, who read the contours of the greens as if he were a native of the area. At the same time though, only one man can actually strike the putt, and by adopting a split handed grip, James obtained a smooth stroke that fairly rattled the ball into the hole.

In horse racing parlance, James is not usually an early starter but he felt confident that he could emerge from the stalls quicker this season following an active winter. He rested for only seven weeks compared with is usual three months, and he also spent a number of sessions with his coach Gavin Christie at Kedlestone Park i Derbyshire. His immediate aim was to improve his game with the more lofted clubs, and he took particular delight in the fact that he collected his six birdies with approach shots struck with nothing more than an eight iron.

David Russell, who also gained valuable experience as an apprentice professional with Christie, returned a 68, four under par, and went into joint second place four strokes behind James. In an extraordinary nine-hole spell he made all his seven birdies.

LEADING SCORES (GB unless stated): 137 M James, 70, 67; 141 D Russell, 73, 68; A Garrido (Spain), 70, 71; B Clampett (USA), 68, 73, 143 I Woosnam, 69, 74; J Anglada (Spain), 73, 70; 144 J Morgan, 73, 71; B Langer (W Germany), 70, 74; M Thomas, 69, 75; 145 E Polland, 73, 72; J Bennett, 75, 70; J Bland (S Africa), 71, 74.

Lytham lures winners back

The field for this weekend's Lytham Trophy includes six former winners in Geoffrey Birtwell, Charles Green, George MacGregor, Michael Kelley, Peter Deeble and Peter McEvoy.

The holder of this amateur title, Roger Chapman, has now turned professional, together with Ronan Rafferty, whom he beat in a memorable final last year. Two rounds will be played today, one at Royal Lytham, the other at St Anne's Old Links.

The 40 survivors will play two more rounds at Lytham tomorrow. Play on both days begins at 8 am.

TENNIS

ATP claim Lendl broke playing pledge

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent


Lendl faces £5,500 fine

Earl (Butch) Buchholz, executive director of the Association of Tennis Professionals, is recommending his board of directors to fine Ivan Lendl $10,000 (£5,500) and suspend his membership indefinitely. The charge is "conduct detrimental to professional tennis" and the punishment will demand a two thirds majority from the 11-man board.

Buchholz alleges that Lendl committed himself to play in the ATP's official team championship in Dusseldorf next week but, having won the World Championship Tennis Finals tournament in Dallas last Monday, announced that next week he would be playing in another WCT tournament in New York. WCT, on the other hand, claim that Lendl's first commitment was to them. Sorting out the rights and wrongs of all this could be a long and boring process.

Mosts of the nonsense in men's tennis arises from the absence of an overall governing body. This includes the bungling bureaucracy of the council who run the Grand Prix and the consequently inadequate discipline that encourages a few leading players to be careless. Without prejudging its merits or its outcome, the Lendl case can be regarded as an offshoot of all this.

*Lendl would not be embar*rassed by the fine, nor by the fact that he was no longer an ATP member. Jimmy Connors, Guillermo Vilas and Vitas Gerulaitas have not been hampered by their status as non-joiners.

Modern professionals are asked to commit themselves to particular events farther in advance than is reasonable. That *said*, it remains important to promotors and public that once a commitment has been made it should be honoured. A code of conduct applicable to all professional events is essential and in the absence of an overall governing body the ATP are more likely than anyone else to make some headway in applying such a code.

SYDNEY: Over-35s tournament: A Roche beat I Nastase (Romania), 6-2, 6-2.
HAMPSTEAD: Cumberland club tournament: Men's singles, semi-finals: C Van Rensburg (SA) beat C Bradnam, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3; S Alger (Bermuda) beat A Jarrett, 3-6, 7-5, 6-4. Women's singles, semi-finals: M Yanagi (Japan) beat S Reeves, 6-2, 6-1; K Brasher beat A Brown, 1-6, 7-5, 6-3.

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE: Cleveland Indians 5, Seattle Mariners 1; California Angels 2, New York Yankees 0; Toronto Blue Jays 7, Kansas City Royals 0; Oakland A's 9, Baltimore Orioles 6; Chicago White Sox 3, Detroit Tigers 2.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: San Diego Padres 8, New York Mets 0; Pittsburgh Pirates 9, Houston Astros 6; Atlanta Braves 3, Chicago Cubs 0; Los Angeles Phillies 0; San Francisco Giants 7, Montreal Expos 3.

CYCLING
SAN QUIRZE DEL VALLES: Tour of Spain, tenth stage (112 miles): 1, S-A Nilsson (Sweden), 4hr 27min 52sec; 2, A Arroyo, 4:27:55; 3, R Vilemaniane (France), 4:29:15. Overall: 1, Arroyo.

ICE HOCKEY
NATIONAL LEAGUE: Semi-finals (Best-of-seven series): New York Islanders 5, Quebec Nordiques 2 (New York lead 2-0); Chicago Black Hawks 4, Vancouver Canucks 1 (Series tied 1-1).

SQUASH RACKETS
TORONTO: Nennen Cup, semi-final: S Khan beat M Sanchez (Mexico), 15-11, 15-6, 15-4; M Desaulniers beat M Talbott (US), 16-14, 15-6, 15-6.

SKIING CONDITIONS
SCOTLAND: Cairngorm: Main runs: Most complete. Wet snow. Lower slopes: Very little snow. Vertical runs: 1,600 ft. Access roads: Clear. Snow level: 2,500 ft. Glencoe: Main runs: Most complete, wet snow. Lower slopes: Limited nursery areas, wet snow. Vertical runs: 1,200 ft. Access roads: Clear. Snow level: 2,400 ft.

SPEEDWAY
WIMBLEDON: England 65, United States 45.

TENNIS
OLDSMAR (Florida): Third round: R Tanner beat J Alexander (Australia), 6-7, 6-4, 6-3; Tim Gullikson beat J Lozano (Mexico), 6-2, 1-6, 6-1; P Rennert beat J Lapidus, 7-6, 7-5; M Purcell beat E Iskersky, 6-3, 6-1; T Mayotte beat M Davis, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.
GRENELEFE (Florida): Women's tournament: M Navratilova beat P Medrado (Brazil), 6-3, 6-3; A Jaeger beat E Bonder, 6-1, 6-3; M Jausovec (Yugoslavia) beat B Potter, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4; W Turnbull (Australia) beat P Smylie, 7-6, 6-7, 6-3.

Strange to the fore

Dallas, April 30 — George Archer and Curtis Strange both totalled five under par 65 to tie for the first-round lead in the $350,000 Byron Nelson Classic at Preston Trail Golf Club. They led by one stroke over Vance Heafner, Bruce Fleisher and Eric Batten. The defending champion, Bruce Lietzke, was on one-under par 69.

LEADERS: US unless stated: 65: G Archer, C Strange. 66: E Batten, B Fleisher, V Heafner. 67: R Gilder, P Jacobsen, M Holland, G-R Shearer (Australia), D Graham (Australia), J Colbert, R Wadkins, D A Weibring, D Halldorson. 71: G Levenson (SA), J Newton (Australia), T Ozaki (Japan). 75: B Devlin (Australia). — Reuter.

RACING: STRONG IRISH AND FRENCH CHALLENGE FOR NEWMARKET CLASSIC

Zino looks a French recipe for success

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent

There was high drama on Newmarket Heath yesterday before racing even began when Cajun, the winner of the Greenham Stakes at Newbury a fortnight ago and Lester Piggott's intended ride in today's 2,000 Guineas, pricked a foot badly while out at exercise.

Henry Cecil, his trainer, said later that although Cajun had been declared to run today his presence in the line-up at Newmarket this afternoon would obviously depend on how the wound responded to treatment. If the worst comes to the worst and Cajun has to be withdrawn Piggott will not be down-hearted because he has a first class replacement in Rare Gift, who ran away with the Easter Stakes at Kempton.

Rare Gift's chance has improved immeasurably now that rain has fallen on a course that had already been well watered and I expect to see him play a prominent part. But, as for the likely winner of this very open race, I am looking to Zino to provide his jockey, Freddie Head, with his first taste of success in an English classic and his trainer, Francois Boutin, with consolation for losing the same prize two years ago on the disqualification of Nureyev.

It is in Zino's favour that he seems to be oblivious to the state of the going, having won on both firm and soft ground. It is also in his favour that he likes to be up with the pace from the word go. That means that Head should not experience any problems drawn where he is, No 20, which is towards the far side of the course. Unlike a number of his opponents, Zino has not done anything wrong this season. On the contrary, he won the Prix Djebel at Maisons-Lafitte last month in the style that one has come to associate with a future Guineas winner.

My one nagging doubt concerns the strength of the overall French form following the eclipse of their two runners in the 1,000 Guineas on Thursday. However, Boutin remains adamant that Zino has an excellent chance of winning and he is one of the most experienced men in the game.

Those who pin their faith on the form book looked not a little shaken after the 1,000 Guineas so I shall simply content myself by saying that if the contents of racing's "bible" mean anything then Silver Hawk, Wind and Wuthering and Achieved should form the hard core of Zino's opposition along with Rare Gift, Cajun, if he is alright, Tender King and Nioulargo.

Silver Hawk's record this season is certainly without blemish. There was much to like about the way that he quickened to win the Craven Stakes over today's course and distance 18 days ago even though he was thought to be in need of the race. Anyone who doubts Silver Hawk being fast enough for today's classic can surely find reassurance in the fact that he set a new course record at Kempton last September when he beat Montekin by five lengths in the Solario Stakes.

Wind and Wuthering has no chance of becoming Henry Candy's first classic winner if he runs as indifferently as he did at Newbury last month when he finished behind Cajun, Tender King and Macmillion in the Greenham. However, those who dismiss his chance are guilty of having a short memory because it was only last autumn that he looked so commanding when he led from start to finish and won the Dewhurst Stakes by seven lengths.

More often than not the top form of the previous year is reliable when it comes to the Guineas. Candy says that Steve Cauthen will be told to adopt similar forcing tactics on Wind and Wuthering today and that the colt should run a much better race than he did at Newbury now that the sting has gone out of the ground.

So with Wind and Wuthering, Zino and possibly Full Extent blazing the trail towards the far side of the course Tony Murray will not have an easy time judging the pace on Silver Hawk from his No 1 draw nearest the rails.

Vincent O'Brien's record in this particular classic has been nothing short of a catalogue of disasters since the halcyon days of Sir Ivor and Nijinsky. Now Achieved is attempting to succeed where Minsky, Roberto, Thatch, Apalachee, The Minstrel, Try My Best, and Night Alert all failed before him. When he beat Hays in the Champagne Stakes at Doncaster last September Achieved looked as though he might be Ballydoyle's saviour but neither of his performances this spring has succeeded in capturing the imagination.

Twelve months ago Shapo looked and ran as if he was in need of a race in the Palace House Stakes and that may be the case again today. In the circumstances it might be prudent to row in with Sayyaf at today's weights. Sayyaf is fit and in form and at this stage of the season he could have too many guns over only five furlongs for the three-year-old Peerhof and My Lover.



Wind and Wuthering, on whom Steve Cauthen, the American rider, will be seeking his second 2,000 Guineas

Piggott can coast in on River Lady

From Desmond Stoneham, Paris, April 30

Lester Piggott and River Lady look set to dominate their eight rivals in the Poule D'Essai des Pouliches (French 1,000 Guineas) at Longchamp on Sunday. The English champion jockey has a more difficult task on April Run in the Prix Ganay which I expect to be won by Bikala from the English visitor, Kalaglow.

Jointly owned by Stavros Niarchos and Robert Sangster, River Lady only has to avoid trouble to capture the valuable French classic which Piggott last won in 1964 on Rajput Princess. Although it is not obvious in the form book, River Lady has always been considered far superior to her stable companion, Play It Safe, who was a disappointing fourth in Thursday's 1,000 Guineas.

River Lady was unlucky to be beaten by Play It Safe in last October's Prix Marcel Boussac. Earlier this month the daughter of Riverman impressed when landing the Prix de la Grotte, over Sunday's course and distance, from Exclusive Order and Typhoon Polly. Second place in the Pouliches may go to the Aga Khan's Paranneda.

Even without the benefit of a previous run this season, I still believe Bikala will take all the beating in the 10½ furlong Prix Ganay. Kalaglow had a curtailed season last year after pulling a ligament in the Epsom Derby. A recent winning performance in the Earl of Sefton Stakes has showed the colt to be back to his best and, the almost certain firmish ground at Longchamp on Sunday, should enable Kalaglow to fill the runner-up position.

All hail Ardross, the King of the Cups

By Michael Seely

Ardross stole the show on the middle day of the Guineas meeting at Newmarket yesterday. Even the most hardened regulars could not conceal their excitement after an enthralling battle between Ardross, Glint of Gold and Amyndas. On two occasions Charles St George's heroic battler appeared to be in trouble — first when Amyndas stepped up the pace half a mile from home and again when Glint of Gold and Amyndas were fighting for supremacy starting down the hill. But the moment they hit the rising ground Ardross's stamina came into play and at the finish he beat Glint of Gold by a comfortable half a length.

Ardross is a great horse, using the adjective in its absolute sense. He possesses limitless courage and stamina and is by no means devoid of speed. Last season Ardross's only defeat occurred when he finished fifth to Gold River in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. However he gained his revenge on Alec Head's filly in the French St Leger and also included the Ascot Gold Cup and the Goodwood Cup among his five victories.

"We will play the cup game again", Henry Cecil said. "The Yorkshire Cup, the Henry II Stakes at Sandown and the Ascot Gold Cup will be Ardross's next three races. And then if he is looking sharp will probably have a tilt at the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes".

Half an hour earlier Cecil had shown us the new favourite for the Oaks when Piggott and Sing Softly had quickened smoothly away from Cornish Heroine and Hula Ruler in the Pretty Polly Stakes. Mr Jim Joel's half sister to Military Band has been slow to come to hand this season but there was no denying the air of authority with which she won yesterday. Ward Hills offered 12-1 against Sing Softly for the Oaks. They were swiftly accommodated and she is now top-quoted at 7-1 with all leading firms.

Cecil refused to confirm the filly as a definite runner at Epsom and she will go for one of the recognized trials before a decision is taken.

Other big race news concerned Peacetime, Jeremy Tree's impressive winner of last Saturday's Gardian Classic trial. Peacetime is coughing and will therefore have to miss next Tuesday's Chester Vase. Most bookmakers have removed Peacetime's name from their betting on the Derby.

For this afternoon's 2000 Guineas my three against the field are Silver Hawk, Achieved and Rare Gift. When winning the Easter Stakes at Kempton Rare Gift was most impressive. This improving colt by Rarity could give John Sutcliffe his second triumph in the first of the colts' classics.

At Haydock Park this afternoon Belted Earl can win the Cold Shield Windows Trophy for Robert Sangster and Vincent O'Brien. Undefeated in all his three races the Damascus colt beat last Wednesday's Victoria Cup winner Indian King at Goodwood and then got the better of that top-class Irish mare, Cairn Rouge, in the Desmond Stakes at the Curragh.

Rest of Newmarket programme

Tote Double: 3.0 and 4.5. Treble: 2.15, 3.35 and 4.35

[Television (ITV): 1.45, 2.15 and 3.0]

1.45 PHILIP CORNES NICKEL ALLOYS STAKES (Qualifier 2-y-o: £3,386: 5f) (9 runners)

104 FAITES VITE (D Adams) B Hobbs 9-0 —
108 0 LATIN FORT (Mrs C Seymour) R Hollinshead 9-0 —
109 MILLS MARAUDER (P Mills) E Eldin 9-0 —
110 MING VILLAGE (S Lim) R Armstrong 9-0 —
112 PENLYNE TROOPER (Penlyne Haulage Ltd) W Hastings-Bass 9-0 —
113 PRINCE REYMO (R Emmitt) R Armstrong 9-0 —
115 SHEARWALK (R Sangster) M Stoute 9-0 —
116 SIDAB (O Zawawi) W Musson 9-0 —
117 0 TETRON BAY (R Shannon) R Hannon 9-0 —

9-4 Shearwalk, 3 Prince Reyme, Faites Vites, 5 Penlyne Trooper, 12 Latin Fort, 14 Ming Village, 16 others.

2.15 WARD HILL HANDICAP (3-y-o: £8,038: 7f) (11)

202 04130- DAWN DITTY (Ld McAlpine) Thomson Jones 9-7 R Hills 5 1
203 21214-0 BE BE OF KUWAIT (Sheik Fahad) J Sutcliffe 9-6 S Cauthen 7
204 14200-3 WINTER WORDS (C Hurt) G P-Gordon 9-0 G Duffield 6
205 311210- STREAKER (CD) (S Taberner) J W Watts 8-10 E Hide 2
208 0403-0 KING'S HOLT (G Cooke) A Jarvis 8-6 J Lowe 10
210 3322-3 BELDARE LUSTRE (A Kelly) M Jarvis 8-4 P Eddery 8
211 321-1 CHALON (CD) (M Riordan) H Cecil 8-4 (5 ex) L Piggott 9
212 41- PERANG TEJAM (Ld Crawshaw) W Hastings-Bass 8-3 R Cochrane 4
214 4423-13 PREVAIL (K Abdulla) W Elsey 7-11 R Still 5
215 00111-0 HELLO SUNSHINE (C) (R Seath) J Holt 7-11 S Dawson 5 11
216 23001-0 ONE DEGREE (C) (G Greenwood) F Durr 7-7 — 3

4-5 Chalon, 6 Beldale Lustre, 8 Winter Words, 9 Straker, 14 Hello Sunshine, Be Be Of Kuwait, Prevail, 16 others.

FORM: Be Be Of Kuwait (8-6) close up until halfway, 5th of 8, btn 12¾l, to Milk Of The Barley (gave 20lb). Kemp, Apr 12, 6f, gd to sft. Winter Words (9-1) led to fin 2f, no ex, 3rd, btn 1l, to Shaady (gave 3lb). 7 ran, Newmark, Apr 13, 7f, gd. Straker, CD-winner (8-9) led 2f out, std on well, won 3l, ¾l from Imagination (gave 6lb) and Brookline (rec 13lb), with Winter Words (gave 11lb) not in first 9. 18 ran. Newmark, Oct 17, 7f, gd. Beldale Lustre (8-6) led 2f out, std on, 3rd, btn ¾l to Mummys Game (gave 9lb). 9 ran. Folke, Apr 19, 6f, fm. Chalon (8-7) led 1f out, kept on, won ½l, 3l from Merlins Charm (level) and Triple Tipple (level). 12 ran. Newmark, Apr 15, 7f, gd to fm. Perang Tejam (8-11) (t-fav, made all, ro, won by sh hd, 3l, from Off The Hook (gave 3lb) and Chart Topper (gave 3lb). 26 ran. Donc, Nov 6, 6f, gd. Prevail (9-4) no ex fm 1f out, 3rd, btn over 6l, to Milk Heart (rec 7lb). 15 ran. War, Apr 12, 6f, gd to sft. SELECTION: Chalon.

3.0 2,000 GUINEAS STAKES (Group I: 3-y-o: £80,000: 1m)

3.55 PALACE HOUSE STAKES (Group III: £15,016: 5f) (12)

401 1/0020- MATTABOY (C,D) (R Tikkoo) R Armstrong 4-9-8 L Piggott 2
402 310120- SHARPO (D) (Miss M Sheriffe) J Tree 5-9-4 Y Saint-Martin 5
403 0420-04 SWEET MONDAY (J Reiern) J Holt 4-9-4 P Waldron 4
404 14000-2 COOLEEN JACK (D) (J McDonogh) E O'Grady (Ire) 4-9-0 A Murray 1
405 003100- THE QUIET BIDDER (Mrs R Heathcote) M Stoute 4-9-0 W R Swinburn 10
406 20323-2 CROFHALL (D) (Mrs B Nowick) R Whitaker 5-8-10 S Perks 6
407 11/2-311 LIGHTNING LABEL (C,D) (R Mandell) P Kelleway 6-8-10 S Cauthen 11
409 0320-11 SAYYAF (C,D) (M Debaghi) W O'Gorman 5-8-10 T Ives 7
410 300010- BLUE SINGH (D) (D McIntyre) R Boss 4-8-7 W Carson 12
411 21010- PETERHOF (R Sangster) M V O'Brien (Ire) 3-8-6 P Eddery 9
412 021111- MY LOVER (CD) (S/Ldr R Milsom) M Jarvis 3-8-2 B Raymond 3
413 21420-3 SINGING SAILOR (D) (Mrs C Carroll) C Spares 3-7-12 G Duffield 8

3 Sharpo, 4 Peterhof, 5 Sayyaf, 6 Mattaboy, Lightning Label, 7 My Lover, 8 The Quiet Bidder, 16 others.

4.05 CULFORD STAKES (3-y-o: £3,376: 1½m) (12)

501 1 CASHEL PRINCE (D) (B Combs II) G Harwood 9-7 G Starkey 7
503 1 ORATION (Mrs J de Rothschild) B Hobbs 9-7 B Raymond 12
504 240-0 BELDALE FLEET (A Kelly) M Jarvis 9-0 P Eddery 3
505 CAVARADOSSI (C St George) H Cecil 9-0 L Piggott 11
506 00-0 CHARMING CHARLES (C Shack) P Kelleway 9-0 W R Swinburn 6
507 000- FITZWARREN (Hitchcock Enterprises) G Balding 9-0 E Hide 4
510 043-3 MASTER BOATMAN (Sir P Oppenheimer) H Wragg 9-0 S Cauthen 5
511 0-4 MUSLAB (Maktom Al-Maktoum) Thomson Jones 9-0 DOUBTFUL 9
512 0-0 PARISIO (C St George) J Hindley 9-0 B Taylor 8
513 0-2 PRINCE SANTIAGO (S Zilkha) J Dunlop 9-0 W Carson 2
515 0 RUSHBEDS (Sir T Pilkington) B Hobbs 9-0 G Baxter 10
517 00- WONDER WOOD (K Underwood) M Prescott 9-0 G Duffield 1

3 Cavaradossi, 7-2 Prince Santiago, 5 Oration, Cashel Prince, 5 Beldale Fleet, 8 Rushbeds, 10 Master Boatman, 14 others.

4.35 TURN OF THE LANDS HANDICAP (£3,700: 1¼m) (9)

601 1b/40-0 ENGULF (G Cooper) J W Watts 4-10-0 E Hide 3
603 302004- ROYAL VULCAN (D) (Mrs N Parr) N Callaghan 4-8-10 — 5
604 331003- GLIDE PATH (D) (Mrs R Skepper) J Winter 4-8-8 W Carson 8
605 041330- HABUS (W Gredley) C Brittain 4-8-6 S Cauthen 7
606 01140-4 ARKAN (D) (Sultan Adham) J Hindley 4-8-5 B Taylor 6
607 200-004 RING BIDDER (G A Farndon Ltd) R Hollinshead 4-8-5 S Perks 4
608 10410-0 ORATAVO (D) (A Gretton) J Sutcliffe 4-8-2 P Eddery 1
609 2/300- DOUBLE SHARP (A Hutley) E Eldin 4-7-12 A Mackay 5 9
610 34032-2 ABERFIELD (G Kaye) P Kelleway 5-7-7 J Kaye 7 2

11-4 Royal Vulcan, 3 Arkan, 11-2 Glide Path, 7 Oratavo, 8 Ring Bidder, 10 Engulf, 14 Habus, 16 others.

2,000 Guineas field

301 111-2 ACHIEVED (R Sangster) M V O'Brien (Ire) 9-0 P Eddery 10
Emerald green, royal blue sleeves, white cap green spots
302 000100- BOLD FORT (C) (Mrs C Seymour) R Hollingshead 9-0 S Perks 14
Purple, gold epaulets
303 02221-1 CAJUN (C) (J Stone) H Cecil 9-0 L Piggott 7
Yellow, purple striped sleeves, striped cap
304 2202-10 COME ON THE BLUES (B) (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 9-0 P Bradwell 6
Royal blue, white hoop on body, striped cap
305 0-32 CORNISH GEM (Elicha Holding) P Haslam 9-0 P Tulk 19
White, emerald Cross of Lorraine
306 02130-1 DARA MONARCH (Mrs L Browne) L Browne (Ire) 9-0 P Waldron 25
Dark blue, emerald green hoop, armlets and cap
307 42310-0 FINAL STRIKE (C) (Torki M Saud) F Durr 9-0 G Duffield 23
Dark blue and yellow quartered, blue sleeves, yellow armlets and cap
308 11110-1 FULL EXTENT (D) (M Korn) S Norton 9-0 J Lowe 22
White, red diamond, quartered cap, white sleeves, blue armlets
309 10210-1 HAYS (A Salman) G Harwood 9-0 G Starkey 26
Yellow, blue diamonds on body, yellow cap blue spots
310 01220-3 MACMILLION (T McCarthy) Mrs B Waring 9-0 G Baxter 18
Red, white sleeves, royal blue cap
311 0211-13 MIRABEAU (J Lilley) Mrs B WAring 9-0 B Crossley 5
Champagne, tangerine cross-belts and cap
312 21211-0 MONTEKIN (P Winfield) J Dunlop 9-0 W Carson 27
Royal blue and red quartered, white sleeves, black cap
313 02111-2 NIOULARGO (C,D) (Ng Ek Teong) R Armstrong 9-0 B Raymond 15
Pink and white check, white sleeves, pink cap
314 110-0 PRIMA VOCE (Capt J Durham-Matthews) R Armstrong 9-0 B Taylor 12
Pink and light green hoops, quartered cap
315 024-1 RARE GIFT (D) (C St George) J Sutcliffe 9-0 — 17
Black, white chevron hoop and cap
316 2122-2 REBOLLINO (C H Newston Jun Ltd) T Fairhurst 9-0 E Hide 24
Maroon, gold hooped sleeves, striped cap
317 0-03 REGENT LEISURE (Redlon Ltd) R Simpson 9-0 S Dawson 9
Yellow, red cross-belts, black cap
318 221- ROCAMADOUR (C) (R Buckley) A Pitt 9-0 W R Swinburn 21
Dark blue and yellow quartered, hooped sleeves and cap
319 14-0 ROYAL RENDEVOUZ (F Groves) T Curtin (Ire) 9-0 A Lequeux 4
320 03-012 SILLY STEVEN (C) (Dr S Bennett) R Hannon 9-0 R Cochrane 3
White, pink sleeves and cap
321 1212-1 SILVER HAWK (M Fustok) M Albina 9-0 A Murray 1
Green, red armlets and cap
323 22-42 STEEL BAY (Isaac Arnold 'Agricultural Buildings') P Cole 9-0 R Weaver 2
White, black diamond collar and sleeves, white cap red spots
325 1443-02 TENDER KING (Essal 'Commodities') J Sutcliffe 9-0 Y Saint Martin 13
White, green and yellow striped sleeves, yellow and white quartered cap
327 23402-3 VIN ST BENET (J Honeywood) M Tompkins 9-0 R Curant 11
Orange, royal blue diamonds on body, check cap
328 44211-4 WIND AND WUTHERING (C) (R Cyzer) H Candy 9-0 S Cauthen 16
Yellow, black disc, check cap
329 244-2 WONGCHOI (S Wong) E Eldin 9-0 T Ives 8
Black and royal blue halved, gold sleeves, black cap
330 21121-1 ZINO (G Oldham) F Boutin (Fr) 9-0 F Head 20
Chocolate and white hoops, white cap

4 Silver Hawk, 7 Achieved, Zino, 10 Cajun, Tender King, Full Extend, 12 Wind and Wuthering, 16 Montekin, Nioulargo, 20 Rebollino, Rare Gift, 25 others.

FORM: Achieved (9-3) led 1f out, comfortably, won 1l, nk from Exhilerate (rec 7lb) and Barbender (rec 7lb) with Royal Rendezvouz (rec 7lb) never a factor, stayed on, 5th, btn further 3 ¾l. 7 ran. Curragh, April 17, 7f, yielding. Cajun (9-0) held up, ran on well, won ½l, 1l, 4l from Tender King (level) impeded 1l out, ran on stongly, Macmillion (level) and Wind and Wuthering (level) fav. disputed lead for 5f. 5 ran, Newbury, April 17, 1m, good. Dara Monarch (9-3) progress 2f out, led well inside final furlong, ran on strongly, won 1l, ¾l from Senior Citizen (rec 7lb) and Day Is Done (rec 7lb). 9 ran. Fairyhouse, April 10, 7f, good. Full Extent (9-3) made all, eased, won ¾l, 4l from Knave of Trumps (rec 3lb) and Welsh Partner (rec 10lb). 5 ran. Thirsk, April 17, 1m, firm, Hays (9-1), led final furlong, easily, won 3l, hd from Sabutai (rec 5lb) and Cornish Gem (rec 5lb) one-paced, with Final Strike (rec 5lb) 5th, btn further 1½l, and Silly Steven (rec 5lb) always behind, not in first 9. 14 ran. Salisbury, April 3, 1m, good to soft. Rare Gift (8-6) led 2f out, unchallenged, won 8l, 10l from Risk (rec 4lb) and Paperello (gave 6lb). 6 ran Kempton, April 10. 1m, good to soft. Rebollino (9-5) always withinleaders, led 100y out until last stride, 2nd, btn sh hd, to Match Winner (rec 1lb) with Mirabeau (gave 4lb), Finwell just failed, 3rd, btn further sh hd. Come On The Blues (rec 5lb) late hdwy, 5th, btn further 3l, and Prima Voce (gave 3lb) mrr nearer, 6th, further 3/4l away. 13 ran. Newmarket, April 14, 7f, good to firm. Silver Hawk (8-7), rapid progress to lead 300y out, easily won 1½l from dd-heaters Nioulargo (level), not qkn from 2f out, and Wongchoi (level) led 2f out, ran on. 9 ran Newmarket, April 13, 1m, good. Steel Bay (9-6) 2nd, btn nk, to Count Pahlen (gave 10lb) with Vin St Benet (gave 3lb), 3rd, btn further 1½l, 7 ran. Epsom, April 20, 1m 110y, good to firm. Zino (9-2) made all, unchallenged, won 6l, 1l from Pampabird (level) and Pacombe (level). 7 ran. Maisons-Laffitte, April 6, 7f, soft.
SELECTION: Silver Hawk.

Newmarket selections

By Michael Phillips

1.45 Faites Vite, 2.15 Chalon, 3.0 Zino, 3:35 Sayyaf, 4.05 Cavaradossi, 4.35 Royal Vulcan.

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1.45 Faites Vite, 2.15 Chalon, 3.0 Silver Hawk, 3.35 My Lover, 4.05 Oration, 4.35 Arkan.

Haydock Park

Tote Double: 2.30 & 3.30. Treble: 2.0, 3.0, & 4.0

[Television (BBC1): 1.30, 2.0 & 2.30 races]

1.30 COLD SHIELD WINDOWS HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,532: 1¼m 131yd) (12 runners)

1 01000-0 TENTH OF OCTOBER (T Ferris) S Mellor 9-7 M Wigham 11
2 2211-4 BALANCHINE (Mrs I Phillips) M Stoute 9-5 (BF) 8
3 0100-33 NOUMAYR (H H Aga Khan) R Houghton 9-4 J Reid 10
4 0430-11 FREE PRESS (Mrs J McDougald) I Balding 8-10 J Matthias 9
5 01400-0 PINXTON (G Nothage) K Stone 8-6 J Murray 4
7 00-00 LION CITY (C Machos) E Eldin 7-12 M L Thomas 1
8 0400-3 HEROIC JAMES (R Swift) R Williams 7-12 R Street 5
9 00-00 KRISTALLINA (Mrs C Kilroy) A Bailey 7-10 — 3
10 00-0 WARFLIGHT (G Read) C Thornton 7-10 A Nesbitt 5 2
11 000-303 MERCIA SOUND (A White) R Hollinshead 7-8 Paul Eddery 5 7
13 0013-00 MILANION (T Bracewell) J Wilson 7-7 L Charnock 12
14 33000-0 PRAJAI (C Barber-Lomax) W Elsey 7-7 B Jones 5 6

11-4 Free Press, 7-2 Noumayr, 4 Balanchine, 6 Heroic James, 8 Tenth of October, 10 Mercia Sound, 14 Warflight, 20 others.

2.0 COLD SHIELD WINDOWS 4000 GUINEAS (Amateurs: 3-y-o: £3,249: 1m 40yds) (9)

1 133024 MYDRONE (C Atkinson) M H Easterby 10-1 Mr T Easterby 3
3 40103-0 DANISH EXPRESS (Mrs E Dalby) W Hastings-Bass 9-12 — 4
4 030-1 FIRST PHASE (V Manoukian) G Hunter 9-12 Mr R Hutchinson 9
5 0-1 GODLY (P Abrehart) W Elsey 9-12 Mellor 6
7 104200- SCOTTISH BOY (J Jack) J Berry 9-12 Mr J Jack 4 2
9 0-4 CENTURION PRINCE (H Zeisel) P Feilden 9-7 Julia Fielden 4 1
10 22044-0 PONTOS (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 9-7 Kelleway 7
11 04400- RECORD ANSWER (R Swift) R Williams 9-4 Franca Vittacini 8
12 43000- WARBURY DELL (K Bebbington) R E Peacock 9-4 Carman Peacock 4 5

5-2 Mydrone, 7-2 First Phase, 9-2 Pontos, 5 Godly, 7 Danish Express, 10 Cerituron Prince, 16 Scottish Boy, 20 others.

2.30 COLD SHIELD WINDOWS TROPHY (£11,697: 7f 40yds) (5)

2 111- BELTED EARL (R Sangster) M V O'Brien (Ire) 4-9-0 J Reid 5
4 010000 BANOCO (Mrs M Stanton) T Craig 4-8-10 J Seagrave 3
5 42002- CUT THROAT (Capt M Clark) H Candy 4-8-10 J Matthias 1
6 0000-01 HAVON COOL (CD,B) (J Marston) Mrs M Rimell 6-8-10 M Wigham 2
8 1024-41 MUMMY'S GAME (Rockhouse Stud) W O Gorman 3-7-10 M L Thomas 4

4-7 Belted Earl, 3 Mummy's Game, 7 Cut Throat, 14 Havon Cool, 25 others

FORM: Belted Earl (9-0) Gamely, won sh hd, 6l from Cairn Rouge (level) and Slaney Maid (rec 3lb) 18 ran Curragh Sept 26, 1m good. Cut Throat (8-7) onepaced fm 2f out, 5th btn over 8 1/2l, to Noalto (gave 6lb) 8 ran Leics, Apr 24 7f, fm. Havon Cool (9-2) led over 1f out, clear, won 7l 3/4 from Prince Reviewer (rec 14lb) 11 ran. Haydock, Apr 10 7f, sft. hd from Jester (level). 9 ran Folkes, Apr 19 6f, fm Previously (9-1) little room 1f out unlucky, 4th, btn 1 3/4l, to Match Winner (gave 3lb) 13 ran Newmark, Apr 14, 7f, gd to fm SELECTION BELTED EARL

3.00 ORDSALL LANE HANDICAP (£3,752: 1½m) (4)

4 40212-1 KEELBY KAVALIER (D) (E Brown) J Etherington 4-9-10 (4ex) J Seagrave 4
6 3300-42 REGAL STEEL (Steel Plate & Sections) R Hollinshead 4-9-8 Paul Eddery 5 2
7 3130-21 SKI RUN (P Wigham) P Wigham 7-9-3 M Wigham 3
9 0204-01 YELED (G Kaye) P Kelleway 4-8-12 J Reid 1

9-4 Regal Steel, 5-2 Keelby Kavalier, 11-4 Ski Run, 3 Yeled.

3.30 SALFORD STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £1,634: 5f) (6)

1 23 CUBIC ZIRCONIA (R Scott) R Williams 9-0 J Reid 5
4 0 MISS PATCH (T Ferris) S Mellor 8-5 M Wigham 2
6 0 MELOWAN (M Brittain) M W Easterby 8-2 J Murray 3
8 43 WORLEY BIRD (Worley Wallcovering Ltd) K Stone 8-2 — 6
10 CONVEYOR BELLE (M Burrows) J Berry 7-13 L Charnock 4
12 2 PAMELA'S JET (M Seymour) R Hollinshead 7-13 Paul Eddery 5 1

5-2 Pamela's Jet, 3 Cubic Zirconia, 9-2 Miss Patch, 5 Worley Bird, 6 Melowan, 10 Conveyor Belle

4.0 MULBERRY HANDICAP (£2,359: 5f) (6)

2 21-2112 MISS POINCIANA (A Goacher) M Camacho 5-9-3 J Reid 5
3 00400-0 RUSSIAN WINTER (CD,B) (Catmac Ltd) A W Jones 7-9-0 M Wigham 6
4 30300-0 RAMBLING RIVER (DB) (Miss G Richardson) W A Stephenson 5-8-11 M Wood 3
5 000-131 BALATINA (D) (Mrs K Smeath) H Westbrook 4-8-7 (7ex) Paul Eddery 5 4
6 0030-40 LONGLANDS LADY (D) (G Billington) J Berry 4-7-10 L Charnock 2
7 00340-0 BELLA TRAVAILLE (D) (Mrs R James) R Hobson 4-7-7 B Jones 5 1

6-4 Miss Poinciana, 11-4 Balatina, 5 Rambling River, 7-2 Russian Winter, 10 Longlands Lady, 12 Bella Travaille.

Haydock Park, selections

By Michael Seely

1.30 Free Press, 2.00 Mydrone, 2.30 Belted Earl, 3.00 Sky Run, 3.30 Pamela's Jet, 4.00 Miss Poinciana

By our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Balanchine, 2.00 Record Answer, 2.30 Mummy's Gain, 3 00 Yeled, 3.30 Cubic Zirconia, 4.00 Balatina

Kempton Park

Tote Double: 2:30 and 3.30; Treble: 2.0, 3.00 and 4.00

[Television (ITV): 1.30, 2.0 and 2.30 races]

1.30 MENTMORE STAKES (2-y-o maiden fillies: £2,599: 5f) (7 runners)

1 ANOMALY G Pritchard-Gordon 8-11 M Rimmer 3 1
2 CRIME OF PASSION D Laing 8-11 W Newnes 6
3 DANCE IN MAY P Cole 8-11 — 2
4 23 GANGAWAYHAME G Balding 8-11 — 7
6 0 INDY A Bailey 8-11 J Mercer 3
9 LODDON MUSIC G Hunter 8-11 P Robinson 5
10 SOMA M Masson 8-11 A Bond 4

2 Dance in May, 11-4 Loddon Music, 9-2 Anomaly, 8 Gangawayhame, 14 Indy, 16 Crime of Passion, 20 Soma

2.00 MINING HANDICAP (£2,595: 1½m) (11)

1 0023 SABJA NAJD (D) T Marshall 4-10-0 D McKay 1
4 020-2 LE SOLEIL (D) H Price 8-9-9 — 1
5 230-0 RUN HARD R Turnell 7-9-8 P Robinson 4
7 200-3 MORE HARMONY (D) J Bethell 4-9-6 J Mercer 2
10 130-0 GOLD GROUND P Butler 4-8-10 P O'Leary 10
12 /000- YORK TERRACE T Marshall 5-8-3 R Fox 5
14 000-4 KINNIGGER (C) M E Francis 4-8-0 H Ballentine 1
15 4030- WILD PUMPKIN P Ashworth 5-7-8 M Hills 5 6
16 00-00 LOGAN M Masson 5-7-7 D Brown 7 7
17 00-0 HANUMEN G Austin 4-7-7 A McGlone 5 3
18 30/0- LORD OF MISRULE M Haynes 8-7-7 A Clark 3 9

11-4 Le Soleil, 7-2 More Harmony, 5 Saba Najd, 6 Kinnigger, 7 Run Hard, 8 Wild Pumpkin, 10 York Terrace, 16 others.

2.30 GREENHAM BALLAST HANDICAP (£4,651: 6f) (9)

1 042-0 SPARKLING BOY (C,D) P Kelleway 5-10-0 P Robinson 1
2 3140- PONCHIELLI (D) R Armstrong 4-9-11 J Mercer 2
5 04-00 DENMORE (D) C Nelson 6-8-11 D McKay 6
6 110-0 MANILOW B Swift 5-8-5 G Ramshaw 9
7 0-034 BARNET HEIR (C) B Swift 4-8-2 R Fox 8
9 1000- LINDSEY D Elsworth 3-8-0 A Bond 5
10 00-00 KASSAK (D) H O'Neill 8-7-10 A Clark 3 7
11 00-00 Amorous (D) M McCourt 4-7-7 W Newnes 3
12 0000- CASE HISTORY R Hannon 4-7-7 A McGlowe 5 4

2 Sparkling Boy, 11-4 Ponchielli, 7-2 Barnet Heir, 5 Manilow, 7 Denmore, 10 others.

FORM: Sparkling Boy (9-1) mid div, no ex fin, 2 fur, 5th, btn 8l to Lightning Label (gave 2lb) 9 ran Chep, Apr 5, 5f, gd to sft Ponchielli (9-6) faded fin 2 fur, 8th btn 8l, to Touch Boy (rec 9lb). 21 ran. Donc, Sept 10, 5f 140y, good. Manilow (9-3) no imp, unpl, to Vorvados (rec 2lb) where Barnet Heir (rec 2lb) gd ear spd, ldd fm 300y out, was 8th, btn 12l Salis, Apr 3, 6f gd to sft. Barnet Heir (9-1) ev ch if out. Not qkn, btn over 4l, to Davenport Boy with Kassak (rec 7lb) ro 1½l further away. 5th. 10 ran Epsom, Apr 21, 6f, gd to fm. SELECTION: Barnet Heir.

3.0 AMBITION HANDICAP (Apprentices: £1,878: 1m) (19)

1 20-00 TEAMWORK (CD) R Sheather 5-10-0 S Jewell 6 7
2 40-03 ON EDGE (D) J Spearing 7-9-9 N Howe 10
6 024-2 NORFOLK REALM (D) P Makin 4-8-7 — 12
7 0200- VIOLINO FANDANGO H O'Neill 4-8-4 — 6
8 00-04 GMRI C Benstead 9-8-0 — 15
9 20-00 HIYA JUDGE (D) A Bailey 4-7-13 S Whitworth 11
10 00-20 HANHAM ROAD D Marks 4-7-13 A McGlone 8
11 300-0 SUSAN'S SUNSET S Woodman 4-7-10 A Clark 4
12 00-30 CASHMOOR R Baker 4-7-9 W Hayes 3 2
13 00-20 HELVIC (D) M Haynes 4-7-7 P Howard 3
14 000-4 SETTIMINO R Houghton 4-7-7 — 13
15 40-0r MISS MARSTAIN R Hoad 3-7-7 J McLean 3 14
18 00-04 BOND DEALER (D) B Swift 5-7-7 G Dickie 3 19
20 000-1 PALM THE ACE (D) R Hoad 4-7-7 J Blake 3 1
21 1000- LEGAL LAIRD (C/D) S Woodman 8-7-7 N Dawe 9
23 030-0 COMPOUND Mrs N Kennedy 8-7-7 R Lines 5
24 0-030 ROBERT ADAM (D) Pat Mitchell 7-7-7 D Brown 8 18
25 00/00 SPEARGUN R Atkins 8-7-7 D Bourton 8 17
26 0000- CITY LINK LAD (D) D A Wilson 6-7-7 J Martin 3 16

13-8 On Edge, 5-2 Norfolk Realm, 7-2 Teamwork, 6 Gmri, 10 Hiya Judge, 12 others.

3.30 WINDSOR PARK STAKES (3-y-o maidens: £2,932; 1m) (25)

2 ARIZONA SKY P Kelleway 9-0 — 19
3 00- BANCHORY BRIDGE J Bethell 9-0 P Winter 11
4 BAZALI R Smyth 9-0 — 9
5 0-0 BROUGH SCOTT H Price 9-0 — 24
6 000- BUKARA J Winter 9-0 A Kimberley 14
8 CHEHO I Walker 9-0 — 20
9 0 CHEUNG SING Pat Mitchell 9-0 R McGhin 15
10 0 CHICKWEED M Smyly 9-0 R P Elliott 25
11 000-0 DRUMCROON Pat Mitchell 9-0 M Miller 13
13 0-0 FAST AND SURE G Pritchard-Gordon 9-0 M Rimmer 3 10
15 0-0 FLASH MINT R Atkins 9-0 P O'Leary 1
16 00-3 FOX P Walwyn 9-0 J Mercer 16
18 00-40 GOLDEN LADDIE M Haynes 9-0 G Ramshaw 5
19 233-4 HIMORRE H Price 9-0 — 6
20 000- HYPNOSIS D Elsworth 9-0 A Bond 6
21 0- KHAIRPOUR R Houghton 9-0 D McKay 3
27 0-0 MUJIB J Tree 9-0 S Raymont 21
30 00- ROYAL AGAMEMNON A Pitt 9-0 J Jenkinson 17
31 00-0 RUMPOLE M Blanshard 9-0 — 18
32 SHINING FUTURE B Swift 9-0 A Clark 3 12
34 00- TWICE AS FRESH J Bethell 9-0 I Johnson 4
35 00- WYNNWITH STAR N Vigors 9-0 — 22
38 0- ARAB ART B Swift 8-11 R Fox 7
41 00-0 FULL OF LOVE D Elsworth 8-11 W Newnes 2
44 0 SAFETY NET R Hannon 8-11 R Wernham 8

15-8 Fox, 11-4 Himorre, 4 Fast And Sure, 11-2 Arizona, 6 Bazali, 8 others.

4.0 WATERLOO AUCTION STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £2,194: 5f) (10)

3 2 MAURMAX Pat Mitchell 8-11 A Clark 3 6
5 3 CHIEF HABIT A Jarvis 8-8 S Jarvis 5 7
6 3 SPARKLING SUZIE R Hannon 8-8 A McGlone 5 1
8 3 AVERON C Wildman 8-5 D Dineley 5
10 ENGLISH MUFFIN D Laing 8-4 M Moseley 7 10
12 03 ARNAB R Smyth 8-3 J Mercer 8
14 CRESTA SWALLOW D Dale 8-0 M Miller 2
16 0 FRONTLET M Bolton 8-0 R P Elliott 9
18 NICE N NAUGHTY R Hannon 8-0 R Wernham 4
19 PAT ON THE BACK G Blum 8-0 W Newnes 3

6-4 Arnab, 5-2 Averon, 4 Sparkling Suzie, 6 Maurmax, 10 Chief Habit, 12 others.

Kempton Park selections

By Michael Phillips

1.30 Anomaly, 2.0 More Harmony, 2.30 Sparkling Boy, 3.0 On Edge, 3.30 Fox, 4.0 Sparkling Suzie.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Anomaly, 2.30 Ponchielli, 3.0 Teamwork, 3.30 Bukara, 4.0 Pat On The Back.

Uttoxeter NH

2.15 TOM BECKETT CHASE (Amateurs: handicap: £1,326: 2m 1f) (6 runners)

1 000 NEON LIGHT 10-11-11 Bryan 7
4 40p FURY BOY 9-11-5 Macdonald-Buchanan 7
5 004 EVERY EXTRA 8-11-5 Wilson
10 421 TOWER-BIRD 10-10-12 P Webber
12 20p ORANGE TAG 9-10-8 Thomson Jones
16 0ff DON DOMINIQUE 10-10-7 Weale 7

2 Tower-Bird, 7-2 Every Extra, Fury Boy, 4 Orange Tag.

2.45 HANDSACRE HURDLE (Selling handicap £679: 2m 1f) (11)

1 -000 DUTCH CHALLENGER 5-11-10 Diane Clay 7
6 010 THE SURVEYOR 6-11-6 Astbury
8 030 CHAPERON 8-11-1 Harris 4
9 001 BOLD TREATY 5-11-0 F Morris
12 040 AMBERWELL 6-10-7 Wall 4
13 ppu RAPID ROCKET 4-10-7 Jobar
14 300 GO LISSAVA 4-10-7 Mr Holt 4
15 000 BORDER SECRET 5-10-7 —
18 -000 YUM YUM PRINCE 5-10-7 P Barry
19 000 WALTERSTOWN 6-10-7 Hyett
23 pp-p WIND-O-FORTUNE 6-10-7 Parry 7

5-2 The Surveyor, 3 Bold Treaty, 5 Amberwell, 6 Dutch Challenger

3.20 MIDLANDS GRAND NATIONAL GOLD CUP (Handicap £5,400. 4½m) (15)

2 p10 STROMBOLUS 11-11-7 Francombe
3 041 GANDY VI 13-11-7 Hoare
5 42u THE VINTNER 11-11-1 Mr Browne
7 400 BRIDGE ASH 9-10-13 Mr Johnson
8 100 ANOTHER CAPTAIN 10-10-12 Bradley
9 0pf MARTINSTOWN 10-10-9 Miss Brew 4
11 ROYAL STUART 11-10-8 Rowe
13 p41 JIMMY MIFF 10-10-4 M Williams
16 0u0 ERNEST 10-10-0 J Cambridge 4
17 3b0 COLD SPELL 10-10-0 Jobar
18 0p0 COUNTY CLARE 13-10-0 P Hobbs
20 140 OLD BEAN 9-10-0 Shilston
21 300 THREE OF DIAMONDS 10-10-0 Mr O Connor
23 030 TRICHROMATIC 10-10-0 J O'Neill
26 p02 WINTERBOURNE LAD 9-10-0 A Webber

4 Strombolus, 5 The Vintner, 7 Gandy VI, 8 Bridge Ash

3.55 HOLLINGTON CHASE (Novices. £1 149: 3¼m) (10)

1 102 COOLERIN BOY 7-11-7 Francome
3 001 VERY FRIENDLY 6-11-3 Wall 4
8 4 BUCKLE STREET 7-10-12 Dickin
10 000 CAPTAIN DEVANEY 6-10-12 —
13 400 CROSA 7-10-12 Barrett 4
16 03f GWEN EITHIN 7-10-12 M Williams
17 0 HOT PEPPER 7-10-12 Heath 7
18 fuf LETTERBOX 7-10-12 Rowe
19 0p0 MIDNIGHT MARY 7-10-12 Mr Carden
23 000 TOPEKA 6-10-12 Hobbs

6-4 Coolerin Boy, 4 Buckle Street, 11-2 Letterbox, 6 Very Friendly

4.25 BASS WORTHINGTON HURDLE (Handicap: £1,898: 2m 1f) (10)

2 p1p ANOINTED 6-12-3 McKevitt 4
7 111 AVONDALE PRINCESS 4-11-5 McCourt
10 112 ROYAL COMMOTION 9-10-13 Francome
11 010 SPACE SHIP 6-10-12 Warner
16 214 BLACK EARL 5-10-6 M Williams
19 034 FEARLESS SEAL 5-10-5 Astbury
20 034 MITIGATOR 6-10-4 R F Davies
23 003 KUKU KING 5-10-0 Mr J Cambridge 4
25 020 BLEATHWOOD 6-10-0 Heath 7
26 30u FOB 11-10-0 Hyett

3 Avondale Princess, 7-2 Royal Commotion, 9-2 Space Ship, 6 Black Earl

4.55 OSMASTON HURDLE (4-y-o novices: £690: 2m 1f) (8)

2 401 CHOCOLATE DROP 11-6 Warner
4 002 BLACKTHORN LAD 10-10 Francome
6 f20 FAIR SARA 10-10 —
7 002 HIS MASTER'S VOICE 10-10 McKevitt 4
10 MONKEY ISLAND 10-10 R F Davies
11 001 PONTOON 10-10 DOUBTFUL
12 033 ROSA RULER 10-10 M Williams
13 000 SHIRLEY GROVE 10-10 Hyett

13-8 Blackthorn Lad, 2 Chocolate Drop, 6 His Master's Voice, 7 Rosa Ruler

UTTOXETER SELECTIONS: 2.15 Orange Tag, 2.45 Bold Treaty, 3.20 Strombolus, 3.55 Coolerin Boy, 4.25 Avondale Princess, 4.55 Blackthorn Lad.

Newmarket results

2.0 (2.03) WILBRAHAM STAKES (2-y-o maiden fillies: £2,666: 5f)

SONGROID, b f, by Haveroid — Songs Jest (D Miller), 8-11 L Piggott — (7-2) 1
Tyndrem R Cochrane (20-1) 2
Miami Dolphin P Robinson (10-1) 3

TOTE: Win, 47p; places, 14p, 20p, 83p. Dual F: £57.01. CSF: £7 74. A Jarvis at Royston. Nk, 5l Alpine Great (8-1) 4th Balinese 11-4 fav. 12 ran. 1min 00 85sec.

2.30 (2.32) ELY HANDICAP (3-y-o. £3,915. 6f)

FOUR FOR MUSIC, ch c, by Music Boy — Visitation (W Griffiths jun), 7-13-bl W Carson (5-1) 1
Anstruther G Baxter (15-2) 2
Strath of Orchy L Piggott (11-2) 3

TOTE: Win, 60p; places, 17p, 21p, 21p. Dual F: £1.83. CSF: £4.1 P Haslam at Newmarket. 5l, hd. Master Cawston (10-1) 4th. Sussex Queen 4-1 fav. 10 ran. 1min 12 58sec.

3.00 (3.02) PRETTY POLLY STAKES (3YO fillies: £7,830: 1¼m)

Sing Softly br f, by Luthier — Melody Hour (H Joel) 9-2 L Piggott (6-1) 1
Cornish Heroine W R Swinburn (8-1) 2
Hula Ruler P Eddery (15-8 fav) 3

TOTE: Win, 35p; places, 24, 24, 14. Dual Forecast: £3 72. CFS: £6.24. H Cecil at Newmarket. 2½l, 1½. Heather's Reef (20-1) 4th. 9 ran. 2 min 7.31 sec.

3.30 (3.38) JOCKEY CLUB STAKES (Group 3: £18,050: 1½)

Ardross b h by Run The Gantlet — Le Melody (C St George) 6-8-12 L Piggott (evens fav) 1
Glint of Gold J Matthias (15-8) 2
Amyndas G Baxter (5-1) 3

TOTE: Win, 21p; places, 11p 11p. Dual Forecast: 15p. CSF: 29p. H Cecil at Newmarket. ½l, Capstan (14-1) 4th. 8 ran 2 min 33.14 sec.

4.05 (4.07) CHEVINGTON STAKES (2-y-o: £2,831: 5f)

DEPORTMENT b f by So Blessed — Lady's Walk (K Dodson) 9-1 G Baxter (evens fav) 1
Maariv J Mercer (2-1) 2
Sangrador W Carson (9-2) 3

TOTE. win, 23p. Dual Forecast 21p. CSF 29p B Hobbs at Newmarket. ½l. 4. Willy James (20-1) 4th 4 ran. 1min 00 34sec. NR: Five Jacks.

4 40 (4 42) BURWELL HANDICAP (3-y-o: £3,928: 1m)

VIDEO KING b c b Blue Cashmere — Florintina (Mrs G Maloney) 7-7 D McKay (7-2 fav) 1
Killingholme Clay A Murray (5-1) 2
Pacific Sparkler M Malham (14-1) 3

TOTE: win, 45p, places, 19p. 10p. 38p. Dual Forecast. 74p CSF £2 03. Tricast: £19 27 C Brittain at Newmarket 2l, 3. Wibis Range (4-1) 4th. 12 ran. 1min 38 96sec.

5 10 (5.11) NEWMARKET CHALLENGE WHIP (3-y-o: £375: 1m)

NOIRO b c by blakeny — Norma (Mrs M Soames) 9-0 J Reid (evens fav) 1
Dimiri W Carson (5-2) 2
Busy Bee J Mercer (8-1) 3

TOTE: Win, 23p. Dual Forecast: 21. CSF. 38p: P Cole at Lambourn 1½, 12. Stopover (4-1) 4th. 4 ran. 1min 40.21 secs

DAILY DOUBLE: Sing Softly and Deportment, £4.75 TREBLE: Four For Music, Ardross and Video King, £30.30. JACKPOT: £4,069.55 to 60p stake: 0.0 winning tickets. Pool of £581.37 carried forward. PLACEPOT: £145.06.

Carlisle

Going: Firm.

2.15 (2.19) HIGH STILE STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £933: 5f)

EASTFORM, b c, by Reform — Nip in the Air (W Swiers) 9-0 M Birch (4-5 fav) 1
Final Set G Duffield (15-8) 2
Auspicious Boy J Seagrave (5-1) 3

TOTE: Win, 37p; places 10p, 10p, 17p. Dual F: 19p. CSF: 28p. M H Easterby at Great Habton. 6l, 6l. Tabasco Royal (20-1) 4th. 10 ran.

2.45 (2.46) BRANDRETH HANDICAP (Apprentices. Selling: £697: 5f)

WESTERING BREEZE, gr c, by Windjammer (USA) — Inishanier (F Barlow) 4-9-4 bl M Fry (7-1) 1
HR Micro S Donkin (2-1 fav) 2
Stay Secret N Vaughan (100-30) 3

TOTE: Win, 49p; places, 18p, 10p, 16p. Dual F. £4.48. CSF: £2.42. Tricast: £5.80. W Bentley at Middleham. ½l, 2l. Three Jokers (14-1) 4th. 14 ran. Winner bought in for 960 gns.

3 15 (3 17) GRASMERE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,560 6f)

BLOEMFONTEIN ch g by Free State — Belligerent (H Ford) 7-13 S Webster (4-1) 1
In Slips G Duffield (3-1 fav) 2
No Clown M Birch (8-1) 3

TOTE: Win, 45p; places, 23p, 15p, 30p Dual F: 75p. CSF: £1.95. Tricast: £9 79 T Craig at Dunbar 1½l, 3l Adjusted (16-1) 4th 14 ran.

3 45 (3.47) BOW FELL STAKES (3-y-o maiden fillies: £1,102: 1m)

INDULGENCE ch f by Prominer — Perennial Twinkle (Lady MacDonald-Buchanan) 8-11 G Duffield (9-4) 1
Chasle Lady R Hills (6-1) 2
Hazel Bank S Webster (25-1) 3

TOTE: Win, 24p; places, 14p, 20p, £3.01 Dual F: 55p. CSF: £1.86. Sir Mark Proscott at Newmarket. 3l, 7l. Clap In Time (4-5 fav) 4th 11 ran.

4 15 (4.18) SCAFELL HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,674: 1m 1f 80yd)

ROANOKE RIVER ch f by Roan Rocket — Warrior Queen (Lady Somerleyton) 8-9 G Duffield (100-30) 1
Marliena M Fry (10-1) 2
Trendbucker J lowe (5-4) 3

TOTE: Win, 41p; Places, 21p, 22p, 20p Dual F: £1.52. CSF £4.09. Sir Mark Prescott at Newmarket. 1½l, sh hd. Alex Choice (6-1) 4th 8 ran.

4.45 (4 47) GREAT GABLE STAKES (£1,056: 1½m)

PLAZA TORO ch g by Ashmore — Duke Street (Capt J Macdonald-Buchanan) 3-7-10 C Nutter (7-1) 1
Point North C Dwyer (14-1) 2
Asserter J Lowe (5-1) 3

TOTE: Win, £1 18; places, 39p, 31p, 10p Dual F: 21p (winner or 2nd with any other horse) CSF. £11.68. M Prescott at Newmarket. Nk, nk B Jaski 5-2 fav Philip Henry (10-1) 4th. 13 ran. PLACEPOT: £17.70p.

That other Derby . . .

A lacklustre field of 19 colts and one filly contest today's Kentucky Derby, which is worth a record $527,600 (around £300,000). Illness and injuries have forced ten of the United States' leading three-year-olds to withdraw from the Louisville classic.

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Ripon

2 15 BISHOPTON STAKES (2-y-o: £1,632: 5f) (4 runners)

1 11 SIR ALCO (D) A Jarvis 9-7 T Jarvis 7 2
3 DAY OF JUDGEMENT R D Peacock 8-6 Sexton 3
4 2 DOMYNSKY M H Easterby 8-6 Birch 4
6 GO SPECTRUM J Mason 8-6 Nicholls 1

5-4 Sir Alco, 13-8 Domynsky, 6-1 Day of Judgement, 8 Go Spectrum.

2.45 TRIAL STAKES (Selling: 3-y-o: £1,394: 1m 1f) (15)

1 20-10 COUGH T Craig 9-0 Webster 11
2 40-00 WARRENICE LAD K Stone 9-0 Skilling 5
3 0214- MASHINA TIME M H Easterby 8-11 Birch 13
4 040-0 BALLINACARN J Toller 8-7 Cook 8
5 00-00 CARIBBEAN DREAM T Barnes 8-7 — 9
7 00-03 HEART'S CONTENT R Ward 8-7 — 3
9 0-030 RINGTINGO K Bridgwater 8-7 Nolan 7 1
10 -0002 SUNDANCE KID W H-Bass 8-7 P Young 14
11 020-0 TAI FU KWAI C Williams 8-7 Sexton 15
12 0 THOMAS A BECKET C Nelson 8-7 Day 3 2
15 -0000 CAWSTONELLA J Wilson 8-4 — 7
16 40-00 JEANJIM K Bridgwater 8-4 Carlisle 5 12
17 40-03 KATE'S WISH J Fitzgerald 8-4 Dwyer 6
18 0000- MARZIE P Asquith 8-4 Nicholls 4
19 -0003 PRINCESS SALUKI R Whitaker 8-4 Connorton 3 10

7-2 Sundance Kid, 4 Kate's Wish, 9-2 Tai Fu Kwai, 6 Mashin Time, 13-2 Heart's Content, 8 Cough, 12 others.

3.15 R W ARMSTRONG HANDICAP (£2,532: 2m) (6)

4 100- NORTHGATE LODGE M H Easterby 4-8-11 Hodgson 5 4
7 23-d4 LE GRAN BRUN P Cundell 4-8-6 Cook 2
8 20-30 HIGH HILLS T Craig 8-8-4 P Young 1
10 30-00 GREY HUNTER E Eldin 4-8-4 — 5
11 /00-1 MISS COUTURE J W Watts 5-8-3 A Mercer 6
12 0-000 JAMSHID R Hollinshead 5-7-11 Carlisle 5 3

15-8 Miss Couture, 9-4 Le Gran Brun, 7-2 Northgate Lodge, 10 High Hills, 14 Jamshid, Grey Hunter.

3.45 RAINTON STAKES (3-y-o: £2,063: 1m) (14)

1 03-11 TAWFIQ (C) Thomson Jones 9-8 Cook 9
2 21 STRAFUI (D) L Cumani 9-5 Guest 8
4 32- BALI DANCER M Stoute 9-0 E Johnson 11
5 300-0 BARE ESSENTIALS R Whitaker 9-0 Sexton 10
6 02-0 BLESS'EM ALL W Elsey 9-0 Birch 13
7 3-033 COLEY Denys Smith 9-0 Kelleher 5
8 00- COUNTRYCLASS LAD M Prescott 9-0 C Nutter 6
9 00 DESERT AIR K Bridgwater 9-0 Carlisle 5 12
10 0-004 FOOLISH WAYS A Balding 9-0 Day 3 7
11 0300- HAEMAVITE A Jarvis 9-0 T Jarvis 7 14
15 ORANGE COUNTY W Bentley 9-0 Gosney 1
17 3-3 PRINCE OF CAPRI M Jarvis 9-0 P Young 2
18 00- SOVEREIGNS QUILL C Crossley 9-0 Webster 3
19 400-0 WEDNESDAYS CHASE W Elsey 9-0 Nicholson 4

2 Tawfiq, 11-4 Strafui, 4 Bali Dancer, 11-2 Coley, 8 Countryclass Lad, 14 others.

4 15 GIVENDALE HANDICAP (£3,204: 6f) (11)

3 000-0 CELTIC HALO (D) S Norton 6-9-2 Olliver 5 5
4 4000- CREE SONG P Calver 6-9-0 Gray 11
5 00-02 FRIENDLY FUN (C,D) N Crump 7-8-9 Cook 9
6 1110- POLLY'S BROTHER (D) M H Easterby 4-8-8 Hodgson 5 6
7 303-0 CYRIL'S CHOICE S Mellor 3-8-7 P Young 2
8 1-111 BROON'S SECRET (D) A Jarvis 8-8-8 (5ex) T Jarvis 7 3
9 211-0 SONG MINSTREL M Camacho 4-8-0 Birch 7
11 113-0 HERE'S SUE (C) A Jarvis 3-7-11 — 6
12 030-3 ZOILO M W Easterby 4-7-9 Darley 1
13 040-0 APRIL LUCKY (C,D) C Crossley 9-7-7 Carlisle 5 10
14 010-2 WELSH NOBLE (D) A Balding 4-7-7 Nesbitt 5 4

7-4 Broon's Secret, 4 Zoilo, 11-2 Friendly Fun, 7 Welsh Noble, 8 Here's Sue, 12 Song Minstrel, Celtic Halo, 14-1 others.

4.45 NEWBY HANDICAP (Amateurs: £964: 1m 1f) (10)

3 01-02 NO-U-TURN S Mellor 4-10-11 Hutchinson 7
4 00-3 SUMMARY M H Easterby 5-10-8 Easterby 3
7 00-00 CIMARRON Mrs N Macauley 4-9-11 Bissill 1
13 000-0 SOLAR GRASS (C) W Charles 7-9-7 Syrcl 5 9
15 000-0 PENSCYNOR M Lambert 6-9-7 Walford 6
17 0000- CHANEY G Fletcher 4-9-7 Lukaniuk 5 8
19 00 SENORINA FRANCESCA K Bridgwater 5-9-7 Bridgwater Jnr 5 2
21 0-00 CASWELL ROAD T Taylor 4-9-7 Rowley 5 10
22 INGHAM Mrs M Nesbitt 10-9-7 Hines 5 4
23 014-0 MINUS MAN W Holden 4-9-7 — 5

13-8 No-U-Turn, 5-2 Summary, 6 Penscynor, 10 Solar Grass, 12 Minus Man, Ingham, 12 others.

Ripon selections

By Michael Seely

Ripon 2.15 Sir Alco, 2.45 Tai Fu Kwai, 3.15 Le Gran Brun, 3.45 Bali Dancer is especially recommended. 4.15 Broon's Secret, 4.45 No-U-Turn

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.45 Sundance Kid, 3.15 Grey Hunter, 3.35 Bali Dancer, 4.45 Minus Man

Worcester NH

2 30 PERSHORE HURDLE (Div I: novices: 2m) 22 runners)

5 pff KILBARTH 7-11-5 H Davies
6 p-00 NAUGHTY NIECE 6-11-5 Forsey
7 NEW ASH 8-11-5 Suthern
8 0/0p PARK JET 6-11-5 R Williams 7
9 p RAMBLER GAMBLER 6-11-5 Mr Bosley 7
10 02 ROBERT BLAKE 7-11-5 Webb
12 -344 SEA PENNANT 6-11-5 Crank
17 p0 TRIPLE FLIGHT 7-11-5 Mr Turner
20 40 BENVENUTTI 5-11-4 B R Davies
21 CLEAR BOND 5-11-4 Chapman 7
22 032 DARYMOSS 5-11-4 Turnell
23 340- EXCLUSIVE FOX 5-11-4 —
24 402 GOING STRAIT 5-11-4 Barton
26 p00 MADAME KATRINA 5-11-4 Dennis 7
28 040 OWEN GLENDOWER 5-11-4 Blackler
29 -000 POMPOSITY 5-11-4 Warner
30 p0 RODACHEL 5-11-4 C Smith
33 003 SWEET ENCHANTMENT 5-11-4 J Davies 7
34 0-00 TAF 5-11-4 G Davies 4
37 003- WHETSTONE 5-11-4 Mr Reston 4
38 ALL STEEL 4-10-7 —
40 I0 LANGTON SIEGFRIED 4-10-7 Nicholls

5-2 Benvenutti, 7-2 Darymoss, 4 Clear Bond, 6 Going strait.

3.0 BEWDLEY CHASE (Div I: novices: £16)

3 p01 LANGDALE CHASE 8-11-13 J Williams
8 f40 BARNEY'S ISLAND 8-11-3 Mr Castell 4
13 0 BRUICH LADDITCH 8-11-3 Stone 7
17 p0p CATHERINE BLAKE 6-11-3 Webb
21 4r3 DAMAREE 6-11-3 H Davies
24 0p2 FANCY FELLOW 8-11-3 N Clay
25 000 GO AFFA 7-11-3 Mr Bosley 7
26 /p00 HAVE A JAR 7-11-3 Suthern
27 0pf HEAVY LOAD 7-11-3 Nicholls 7
29 303 KUTAMI 7-11-3 Linley
30 03 MAGIC NIGHT 6-11-3 Mr Sherwood
33 0f0 MISS BINKI 7-11-3 Keighley
42 0f3 SHOTGANG 7-11-3 Crank
43 000 SILARI 8-11-3 Smith-Eccles
53 000 HYPNOTHERAPIST 5-10-10 Dever 7
56 0 WHATYOULIKE 5-10-10 Jewell 7

6-4 Magic Night, 3 Shotgang, 5 Langdale Chase, 7 Fancy Fellow.

3.30 HAROLD RUSHTON HUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs. £662: 3m) (12)

1 1-43 BIT OF A WIT 11-12-7 Miss Vergette 7
2 1-30 CODWAR 11-12-7 De Lisle-Weiss 7
5 1-22 SIR BRYN 8-12-7 Tarry 7
7 -0 FRENCH FURY 9-12-0 Harris 7
8 /pp- JUNE'S JUKE 10-12-0 Denison 7
10 200 MAURITIUS 10-12-0 Miss Kane 7
11 0/u- PUZZOLO 12-12-0 Kench 7
12 /0p0 RED ACCOUNT 11-12-0 Barratt 7
13 30u RUNDER BALLAD 9-12-0 Chugg 7
16 000 VULMENT 8-12-0 Jones 7
17 34p- YOUNG JOHN 10-12-0 Mrs Mason 7
18 LUCKWELL BRIDGE 6-11-9 —

9-4 Sir Bryn, 3 Codwar, 9-2 Bit Of A Wit, 5 Mauritius.

4.0 BATTENHALL HURDLE (£1,778: 3m) (18)

5 010 DRIVING 7-11-7 Lynn 7
7 010 CULHAM 7-11-5 Mrs Sheedy
11 30-0 OX LEASON 7-11-2 Jones
18 0p0 DONNISON 11-10-3 C Smith
21 410 IRISH WHISKEY 6-10-9 Webb
24 0001 BERKELEY LAD 5-10-7 Stronge 7
31 400- BRAVE KID 12-10-0 Charles 4
34 p-p0 LIGHT INFANTRY 10-10-0 Floyd
35 430 COME ON TAFFY 5-10-0 Barton
37 10-r QUICK BUCK 7-10-0 Blackler
38 000 MISS JUBILEE 5-10-0 Suthern
39 0p-0 CARNIVAL DAY 11-10-0 H Davies
40 001 DANCING GREY 5-10-0 Millman 7
42 000 ACOS BOY 5-10-0 De Haan
44 /fpp GAME DAVID 9-10-0 Cargeeg 7
45 p00 TARTAN SPECIAL 7-10-0 Parry 7
46 000 PEPS LAST 7-10-0 Price 4
47 p00 WULA 6-10-0 J Williams

3 Irish Whiskey, 4 Driving, 5 Berkeley Lad, Come On Taffy

4.30 BOWLING GREEN CHASE (Handicap: £2,467: 3m) (11)

2 420 ROYAL BOWMAN 7-11-12 Linley
5 30 LIVELY FELLA 6-11-9 O'Brien 7
6 332 EASTER CARNIVAL 6-11-8 Nicholls 7
10 I00 ECHO SUMMIT 10-11-3 Candy
15 tof NO RETREAT 10-10-12 Dever 7
20 f31 WILLIAMSON 8-10-11 J Davies 7
21 0pf THIS WAY 10-10-10 H Davies
22 024 KNAPP FLIGHT 8-10-10 —
26 2-0p LEEANN LAD 9-10-3 Mr Bosley 7
27 4pp VALLEY OF ROCKS 9-10-2 —
28 fpf TANTALIZA 7-10-1 Holder 7

3 Easter carnival, 7-2 Williamson, 9-2 Royal Bowman, 6 Knapp Flight.

5.0 PERSHORE HURDLE (Div II: novices: £690: 2m (22)

2 0p0 APRIL FURY 8-11-5 Newth 7
5 0-00 BROOKSIDE BOY 6-11-5 Candy
7 00p- CORNISH FOX 6-11-5 Wright 4
8 003 FLY MORE 6-11-5 S O'Neill
9 000 HAILE LADY 8-11-5 Suthern
10 -0p0 KING OF ACCORDA 7-11-5 J Davies 7
12 MORSE PRINCESS 8-11-5 —
14 lp- PIPPER KIT 6-11-5 Mr Preston 4
17 0 SANSOU LADY 6-11-5 Knight
18 p04 SKIN DEEP 9-11-5 Coleman 7
19 00b SPLICER 8-11-5 Webb
21 0 TINKER'S TRIP 7-11-5 Smith Eccles
22 p0 TOP DOG 8-11-5 G Davies 4
25 00 DIVO 5-11-4 B R Davies
26 0 GAELIC TOUCH 5-11-4 Finch 7
27 002 GIN GAME 5-11-4 Keightley
28 000 HARFORD 5-11-4 N Clay
34 000 PUY-DE-VENT 5-11-4 C Smith
37 000 SMITE HILL 5-11-4 Mr Weston 4
38 0p0 SWEET KOE 5-11-4 —
39 0 TANGO SIERRA 5-11-4 Parry 7
42 032 HAVERING HILL 4-10-7 —

2 Gin Game, 7-2 Havering Hill, 4 Fly More, 11-2 Skin Deep

5 30 BEWDLEY CHASE (Div II: novices:) £1,427 2m) (16)

8 -fpp ARTIC FOX 8-11-3 Mann
10 000 BELLA DIPINTA 6-11-3 Carvill
11 0pp BIG OCKEY 7-11-3 Liddicoat 7
12 f00 BILLY BUD 10-11-3 A Webber
15 -00p CAMPING SITE 9-11-3 Burke
35 ppp PARAGON SQUARE 7-11-3 —
36 000 PONTI HILL 8-11-3 J Suthern
38 00 RICH VIRGINIA 6-11-3 —
40 0u0 ROINEVAL 9-11-3 C Smith
41 -00f RUSSHILL 6-11-3 Pusey 7
44 -3fu SIXSHOOTER 7-11-3 Mr Cleverley 4
45 03-0 SUCH BLISS 7-11-3 Keightley
46 -2u0 TEHRAN PRINCE 6-11-3 J Williams
47 0p0 THAT OMAN 6-11-3 Candy
51 000 YONG HAWK 9-11-3 Mr Cleveley 4
55 p0b TEAPOT HALL 5-10-10 —

7-4 Such Bliss, 5-2 Russhill, 9-2 Sixshooter, 6 Yong Hawk.

WORCESTER SELECTIONS: 2.30 Going Strait, 3.0 Langdale Chase, 3 30 Sir Bryn, 4 0 Driving, 4.30 Easter Carnival, 5.0 Fly More, 5.30 Such Bliss.

Longchamp tomorrow

POULE D'ESSAI DES POULICHES (Group 1: 3-y-o fillies: £36,630: 1m) (9)

10-4 STAR GUIDE 9 2 Philipperon
10-1 PARANNDA 9 2 St-Martin
01-3 TYPHOON POLLY 9 2 Dubroeucq
1-2 VIDOR 9 2 Lequeux
3-04 PRINCELY PENNY 9 2 Head
30-0 PASODOBLE 9 2 Mongelluzzo
3-12 ESTERE 9 2 Gorli
32-1 RIVER LADY 9 2 Piggott
1-00 MAC RHEFNA 9 2 Guignard

1-2 River Lady and Pasodoble (coupled), 7-2 Parannda, 7 Estere

STATE OF GOING (official): Worcester: firm; Ripon: good to firm, Uttoxeter: chase course — good to firm, hurdles — firm; Kempton: straight and round course — good, jubilee course — good to firm; Newmarket: good; Haydock: flat and hurdles courses — firm (watered), chase course — hard.
Monday: Warwick good to firm; Newcastle: firm, Devon: hard, Ludlow: hard; Towcester: hard; Fontwell: firm (watering); Southwell: good to firm (watering); Doncaster: straight course — good to firm, round course — firm.

PERSONAL COLUMNS

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BIRTHS

CRAGGS.—On 21st April, to [illegible] and John—a son (Michael [illegible]).

CURTIS.—On April 29th, to [illegible] (née Hastings) and Dan [illegible] Hospital, Aberdeen—a second son.

DEVER.—On 28th April, to Sarah and Duncan—a daughter (Katherine Frances Louise), sister for Lucy.

DOUGLAS.—On April 29th, at the Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, to Caroline and Philip—a son (Patrick), a brother for Simon and Jamie.

FARMANFARMAI.—On April 29th at Queen Charlotte's, to Marilyn and Keyvan—a son (Jonathan).

LANCE.—On April 28th, to Ann and Martin—a daughter (Emma Louise).

LOFTUS.—On April 29th, at the John Radcliffe Maternity Hospital, Oxford, to Sarah and Desmond—a daughter (Sophie Alexandra), sister to Emma and Victoria.

McGHIE.—On 24th April, 1982, at Villa Europa, Rome, to John and Antonella—a son (Charles Fol[illegible]).

PALMER.—On April 30th, in Middelfart, Denmark, to Jane (née Delgado) and Tim—a son (Benjamin James), a brother for Claire.

THOMAS.—On 22nd April, to Ursula, wife of William Thomas—a son (Philip Stephen William).

WOOLF.—On April 26th, to Vivienne and David—a son (John Richard).

BIRTHDAYS

BARBARA. Happy birthday, love you and miss you. Simon, Sharon and Claire. Please get in touch.

THE MAY QUEEN comes of age. Elizabeth Lloyd-Owen is 21 today! Love and congratulations from her loyal subjects.

MARRIAGES

FEILDEN : SHEPPERD.—On Friday, 23rd April, at Reading Register Office, Henry Rudyard, only son of Sir Henry and Lady Feilden, and Anne, daughter of William Frank and Jane Shepperd.

GOLDEN WEDDING

IRVING : O'GRADY.—On April 30th, 1932, at St. Joseph's Church, Stanley, co Durham, Robert Alfred to Norah Winifrid. Now at Windrush Cottage, Papcastle, Cockermouth.

DEATHS

CALMANN.—On April 29, 1982, after a fall in his garden, Hans Maximilian Calmann, aged 82, of Perridge House, Pilton, Somerset, the much loved husband of Gerta, father of Marianne, Susan and Iris and grandfather of Caroline, Madeleine and Quentin. The funeral will be at Pilton Church on Thursday, May 6, at 2.30 p.m.

FISHER.—On April 29th, 1982, Blanche (Babs), aged 91 years, formerly of Hadley Wood and London, daughter of the late George Nicoll of London, widow of Frederick Furryan Fisher, OBE, late of the Admiralty, mother of Dick and Audrey, much loved grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral at Cheltenham Crematorium on Thursday, May 6th at 3.30 p.m. Enquiries to Selim Smith and Co., 74 Prestbury Rd., Cheltenham, Glos.

GWYN-JONES.—On April 25th, peacefully in hospital, David Gwyn-Jones, C.B.E., of 5 Withdean Crescent, Brighton, beloved husband of Dorothy, much loved father of Gareth and Lynette, and devoted grandpa of Olivia and Cerian. Freeman of the London Borough of Islington and for many years Leader of the Islington Borough Council. Formerly Headmaster of Newington Green School, London. Cremation has already taken place.

LAWRENCE.—Tragically as a result of a road accident, Geraldine Ruth Lawrence, SRN, SCM, RCNT (née Menlowe), aged 31. Funeral private. Family flowers only. Burial in Ireland. Donations, if desired, to Cancer Research. Memorial service to be arranged later.

MARSH.—On 29th April, peacefully, in Southsea, aged 96, Alfred William, lately of Kenton and Haslemere (loved father and grandfather). Funeral service at Southsea U.R.C., Victoria Rd., at 11.15, then at Porchester Crematorium at 12 noon on Wednesday, 5th May. No flowers please. Donations to help the aged.

PHILLPOTTS. — On Wednesday, 29th April, peacefully at Torbay Hospital, Betty, of 13 Woodland Rd., Ashburton, widow of Anthony Buller Phillpotts. Cremation private. Memorial service on Thursday, May 6th, at St. Andrew's Church, Ashburton, at 2.30 p.m. No flowers.

PIRIE, JOHN HENDERSON.—On April 29th, peacefully at home, Coachman's Cottage, Macclesfield Rd., Alderley Edge, Cheshire, husband of the late Annie Gillespie (Shaw) and father of David, Mary and Helen. Service on Tuesday, 4th May, at 12.30 at Macclesfield Crematorium.

THOMAS, WILLIAM CHARLES.—One-time Station Master at Luton, died peacefully at his home on 29th April, 1982. Inquiries John Saunders & Son, Luton 31696.

TUNNICLIFFE.—On April 28th at Georges Rostand Hospital, in Paris, Nigel, Grenadier Guards, aged 54, of Monte Carlo, formerly Shaldon, Hants. Private funeral in Paris. Memorial service in England to be announced.

WYNDHAM. — On 26th April, 1982 Margrethe Ingrid Andrea, wife of the late Richard Wyndham. Funeral private, Thursday, 6th May.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

GATEHOUSE. — A service of thanksgiving for the life of Richard Norton Bingham Gatehouse will be held at St. Thomas Church, Lymington, on Wednesday, 5th May, at 3 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM

TWININGS.—In proud remembrance of Captain Cecil F. H. Twinings, 3rd (attached 1st) Hampshire Regiment. Killed at the second battle of Ypres on May 3rd, 1915.

CLINCH, JAMES DANIEL, M.D.—May 1st, 1981. In loving memory of Jammy.

DEAS.—In ever loving memory Stuart Deas, of Praí de Rocha.

EAMES, JESSIE.—Died 1st May, 1981. Wife of Arthur Eames, M.B.E., B.A. (Leeds 1935/38). Sadly missed by Arthur, John and family.

THOROGOOD.—In ever loving memory of our son Robert Shaen who died in a fatal car accident in Saudi Arabia. May 1st, 1981.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Governors will be held at the British Home and Hospital for Incurables, Crown Lane, Streatham, London SW16 3JB at 4.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 26th May, 1982, to transact the ordinary business of such meeting.
By Order of the Board of Management.
O. HORNE, Secretary

MISCELLANEOUS FINANCIAL

WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Issued 28 April 1982 £4.0M Bills due 28 July @ 12.15/16%. Applications £4.0M. Total outstanding £10.0M.

COMPANY MEETING

THE RIO TINTO-ZINC CORPORATION PLC
Annual general meeting

Notice is hereby given that the twentieth annual general meeting of The Rio Tinto-Zinc Corporation PLC will be held at the Westminster Suite, The Europa Hotel, Duke Street, London W1 on Thursday, 3 June, 1982 at 11.00 for the following purposes:

1 To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution which will be proposed as a special resolution, namely that:
(A) the directors be and are hereby generally authorised in accordance with Section 14 of the Companies Act 1980 to exercise all the powers of the Company to allot relevant securities within the terms of the restrictions and provisions following, namely:
(i) this authority shall (unless previously revoked or renewed) expire at the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company following the passing of this resolution;
(ii) this authority shall be limited to the allotment of relevant securities up to the aggregate nominal amount of £12 million but equity securities allotted wholly for cash may only be allotted:
(a) in connection with an offer of such securities by way of rights to the holders of ordinary shares and accumulating ordinary shares on the register on a record date fixed by the directors in proportion (as nearly as may be) to such holder's then holdings of such shares but subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the directors may deem necessary or expedient to deal with fractional entitlements otherwise arising or legal or practical problems under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body in, any territory; or
(b) (otherwise than under subparagraph (a) above) up to the aggregate nominal amount of £5 million.
(B) the directors be and are hereby empowered to allot, pursuant to the said authority, equity securities as if Section 17(1) of the said Act did not apply to any such allotment provided that this power shall be limited to allotments of equity securities expressly authorised by or in accordance with the said authority.
(C) For the purpose of this resolution:
(i) the said authority and the said power shall allow and enable the Company to make an offer or agreement before the expiry of that authority and power which would or might require relevant securities or (as the case may be) equity securities, to be allotted after such expiry; and
(ii) words and expressions defined in or for the purposes of Part II of the Companies Act 1980 shall bear the same meaning herein.
2 To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution which will be proposed as a special resolution, namely:
"That the articles of association of the Company be hereby altered as follows:
(1) By inserting immediately after article 8 the following article 8(A) namely:
8(A) 'Subject to the provisions of the statutes, the Company may purchase any of its own shares (including any redeemable shares).'
(2) By deleting in article 10 the words 'the Company may issue Preference Shares which are, or at the option of the Company are to be liable, to be redeemed,' and substituting therefor the words 'the Company may issue any shares which are, or at the option of the Company or the holder are liable, to be redeemed.'
(3) To insert immediately after article 57 the following article 57(A) namely:
57(A) 'If an amendment shall be proposed to any resolution under consideration but shall in good faith be ruled out of order by the chairman of the meeting the proceedings on the substantive resolution shall not be invalidated by any error in such ruling. In the case of a resolution duly proposed as a special or extraordinary resolution no amendment thereto (other than a mere clerical amendment to correct a patent error) may in any event be considered or voted upon.'
(4) To insert immediately after article 71 the following article 71(A) namely:
71(A) 'No member shall, unless the directors otherwise determine, be entitled in respect of shares held by him to vote at a general meeting either personally or by proxy or to exercise any other right conferred by membership in relation to meetings of the Company if any call or other sum presently payable by him to the Company in respect of all such shares remains unpaid or if he or any other person appearing to be interested in such shares has been duly served with a notice under Section 74 of the Companies Act 1981 and is in default in supplying to the Company the information thereby required.'"
3 To re-elect directors.
4 To re-appoint the auditors.
5 To consider the Company's accounts and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended 31 December, 1981 and to declare a dividend on the ordinary shares.

A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. The instrument appointing a proxy, together with any power of attorney under which it is signed, should reach the transfer office of the Company not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting.
By order of the Board,
D A Streatfeild, Secretary.
6 St James's Square,
London SW1Y 4LD.
29 April 1982
Registered Office

Notes
1 Only holders of the ordinary or accumulating ordinary shares or of the 'B' cumulative preference shares are entitled to attend and vote at the meeting.
2 A proxy may not speak at the meeting except with the permission of the Chairman of the meeting.
3 A holder of a share warrant to bearer, who desires either to attend the meeting or to appoint one or more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him, will receive a ticket of admission on depositing at the Company's transfer office at 1 Redcliff Street, Bristol BS1 6NT, at least 48 hours before the meeting, a written request for the issue of the ticket (and, if desired, a form of proxy) together with either the share warrant or a certificate signed by a bank, stockbroker or solicitor within the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man stating that the share warrant is in the custody of such bank, stockbroker or solicitor and will be retained in such custody until after the close of the meeting. If the form of proxy is to be used, it must be completed and returned to the transfer office so as to be received at least 48 hours before the meeting.
4 Copies of contracts of service of directors of the Company with the Company or any of its subsidiaries will be available for inspection at the registered office of the Company during usual business hours on any weekday (Saturdays and Public Holidays excluded) from the date of this notice until the date of the annual general meeting and at The Europa Hotel for at least fifteen minutes prior to and during the meeting.

CONTRACTS & TENDERS

TENDERS FOR GREATER LONDON BILLS

1. The Greater London Council hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Registrar's Office (Bank Buildings), Bank of England, London, EC2R 8EU, on Monday, 10th May, 1982, at 12 noon for Greater London Bills to be issued in conformity with the Greater London Council (General Powers) Act, 1967 to the amount of £25,000,000.
2. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000, £10,000, £25,000, £50,000, £100,000 or £250,000. They will be dated Thursday, 13th May, 1982, and will be due 91 days after date, without days of grace.
3. Each Tender must be for an amount not less than £25,000, and must specify the net amount per cent. (being a multiple of one new halfpenny) which will be given for the amount applied for.
4. Tenders must be made through a London Banker, Discount House or Broker.
5. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.
6. Notification will be sent by post on the same day as Tenders are received, to the persons whose Tenders are accepted in whole or in part and payment in full of the amounts due in respect of such accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England, by means of cash or by draft or cheque drawn on the Bank of England, not later than 1.30 p.m. on Thursday, 13th May, 1982.
7. Tenders must be made on the printed forms which may be obtained either from the Bank of England, or from the Council's Offices at The County Hall.
8. The Greater London Council reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

M. F. STONEFROST,
Comptroller of Finance.
THE COUNTY HALL
LONDON SE1 7PB
3rd May, 1982

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NOTICE

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Television and radio: Saturday and Sunday

Edited by Peter Davalle

BBC 1

6.25 Open University. Teaching and Control; 6.50 Stantonbury; 7.15 Hume and causality; 7.40 Rodin; 8.30 Complex Human Ecosystems; 9.05 Sorry Mate, I Didn't See You; for the young motorcyclist; 9.30 Get Set For Summer: Motorbike scrambling with David Essex, and music and fashion talk from Toyah; 11.00 Lucky Luke: Full-length cowboy cartoon (made in France) about a gentle sheriff; 12.12 Weather; 12.15 Grandstand. The line-up is: — 12.20 Football Focus; 12.55 International Snooker (Steve Davis in the Embassy Championships) More at 2.10, 5.30 (BBC 2) 9.15 and 11.40; 1.20 Haydock Racing; 1.40 Ice Hockey (from Helsinki); 1.55 Haydock — Racing; 2.10 Snooker; 2.25 Haydock Racing; 2.40 Rugby League: The Challenge Cup Final: Widnes v Hull; 3.40 Half-time scores; 3.45 Rugby League (contd).

5.10 The All Pink Panther Show; three cartoons.
5.30 News: with Jan Leeming; 5.40 Sports. And regional news
5.45 Pop Quiz: The quizmaster is Mike Read, and the two teams are captained by Phil Collins (of Genesis) and Bill Bruford (Free).
6.15 Film: Mayday, 40,000ft! (1976) Aircraft hijacking drama, with David Janssen piloting an airliner crippled by a bullet fired during a gun battle. Also starring Ray Milland and Broderick Crawford.
7.45 Mastermind Champions: Winners from the past 10 years of Mastermind compete in a grand final. There is another semi-final tomorrow night, and the final takes place on Monday. The indispensable question master is Magnus Magnusson.
8.25 The Val Doonican Music Show: with Barbara Dixon, Ray Charles and his singers and actor/singer Dennis Waterman. Also a Val Doonican request spot.
9.10 Dynasty: First instalment of a new American-made film series about a Colorado oil tycoon (John Forsythe), his family, and his women. It should appeal to the same audience who found Saturday nights empty and meaningless when an episode of Dallas wasn't being screened.
10.35 News. And sports round-up.
10.40 Match of the Day: Jimmy Hill introduces highlights from two of the day's Football League matches. The April Goal of the Month competition winner is announced.
11.40 Pearl: Final instalment of this American-made drama serial about the Japanese invasion of Pearl Harbor. Tonight, the savage attack is launched and the island comes under martial law. For the characters whose fortunes we have been following for the past three weeks, nothing can ever be quite the same again. Starring Angie Dickinson, Robert Wagner, Dennis Weaver and Lesley Ann Warren. Ends at 1.05.

BBC 2

6.25 Open University: Balzac. 6.50 Colour. 7.15 Maths. 7.40 T S Eliot's Marina. 8.05 Avoiding a Catastrophe. 8.30 Musical Language. 8.55 School to Work. 9.20 Conflict in the family. 9.45 Social Work. 10.10 Ocean Crust. 10.35 Gibbon: Ruins of Rome. 11.00 Maths. 11.25 Marking Time. 11.50 Social Psychology. 12.15 Computing. 12.40 Quantum Wave Equation. 1.05 The God that Rules. 1.30 Language Handicap. 1.55 Deer Farming. 2.20 Language Development. 2.45 Machine Tools. 3.15 Film: Hue and Cry* (1946). Ealing comedy-drama about some London lads who clash with a gang of crooks. With Alastair Sim.

4.35 Fancy Fish: coral reef in your own home.
5.00 International Show Jumping: The Kerrygold International, from Hickstead.
5.30 International Snooker: Live coverage of the Embassy World Championship; first round. See also 9.15 and 11.40 on BBC 2.
6.15 Crazy Dream: How Stoke-on-Trent folk are building their own community arts centre.
6.45 Did you See ...? Anthony Smith, Paula Milne and Julian Pettifer discuss Q.E.D. (BBC 1), Meggie (BBC 2) and Return to Vietnam (ITV). Also, Bob Godfrey on programme titles. 7.25 News and sport.
7.45 Washington: Behind Closed Doors. Part 3 (of six) of this political drama with rival White House factions and a scheming president as its inspiration. With Jason Robards.
9.15 International Snooker: Dennis Taylor and Graham Miles in action.
9.55 Rugby Special: Gloucester v Moseley in the John Player Cup Final. From Twickenham.
10.40 Man Alive: Phantom. Repeat screening of this burningly topical film which examines Britain's preparedness for conflict. Front-line troops and airmen rehearse for the next world war.(r)
11.30 News: with Jan Leeming.
11.40 International Snooker:
12.05 Film: The Lady from Shanghai* (1948). Fitfully brilliant drama (written by, directed by, and starring Orson Welles) about a sailor whose love of a married woman (Rita Hayworth) lands him in deep trouble. With Everett Sloane as the evil husband. Ends at 1.35

ITV/LONDON

9.30 Sesame Street: with The Muppets; 10.30 Cartoons; 10.45 The Adventures of Black Beauty: The mystery of the wounded man (r); 11.15 Space 1999: Journey to a world of ice. With Martin Landau, Barbara Bain (r); 12.15 World of Sport. The line-up is: 12.20 On the Ball (Ian St John on the Wales v England international); 1.15 News from ITN; 1.20 The ITV Six. We see, from Kempton, the 1.30, 2.00 and 2.30 races and, from Newmarket, the 1.45, 2.15 and 3.00 (the 2,000 Guineas Stakes with Silver Hawk and Zino as much favoured runners); 3.10 Speedway: England versus the United States. From Wimbledon Stadium. Dave Jessup is England's captain, and Bruce Penhall is America's; 3.45 Half-time football results; 4.00 Wrestling: three fights from Lincoln — heavyweight, lightweight and catchweight.

4.50 World of Sport: full results service. With Pools check.
5.05 News from ITN.
5.15 Worzel Gummidge: Jon Pertwee plays the immortal scarecrow. Today: a new owner for the big house in the village (r).
5.45 Buck Rogers in the 25th Century: The starship Searcher and its human crew have undergone an astonishing change when Buck and Co return from their survey of the Planet of Death.
6.45 3-2-1: Comedy prize show, with Ted Rogers as MC. The theme of tonight's programme — the last for the time being — is railways. The guests include Deryck Guyler, the veteran comedy actor and Lord Charles and Ray Alan.
7.45 The Last of Sheila. (1973) Ingeniously plotted thriller starring James Coburn as the Hollywood movie producer who, after his wife is killed by a car, invites film world personalities on board his yacht to play a murder game. Co-starring Richard Benjamin, Dyan Cannon, Joan Hackett, James Mason and Raquel Welch.
9.55 News. And sports round up.
10.25 London news headlines. Followed by: Bizarre: the American-made comedy series.
12.00 Film: Benjamin (1968) Michel Deville's romantic drama has Pierre Clementi as the naive lad whose wealthy aunt, a countess, (Michele Morgan) and her lover (Michel Piccoli) broaden his horizon quite remarkably. Co-starring Catherine Deneuve.
22.05 Close. With Mary Craig.


Pierre Clementi in Benjamin (ITV, midnight)

Radio 4

6.30 News.
6.32 Farming Today.
6.50 Yours Faithfully.
6.55 Weather and Travel.
7.00 News.
7.10 Today's Papers.
7.30 On Your Farm.
7.45 Yours Faithfully.
7.50 It's a Bargain.
7.55 Weather and Travel.
8.00 News.
8.10 Today's Papers.
8.15 Sport on 4.
8.50 Yesterday in Parliament.
8.57 Weather and Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Breakaway. A critical look at the holiday, leisure and travel scene.
9.50 Newsstand. Weekly magazines review.
10.05 The Week in Westminster.
10.30 Daily Service.†
10.45 Pick of the Week.†
11.35 From Our Own Correspondent.
12.00 News.
12.02 Money Box.
12.27 I'm Sorry, I Haven't a Clue.†
12.55 Weather; Programme News.
1.00 News.
1.40 Trees.
2.00 News.
2.05 Play: "Marsha — Natheless Proto One" by Kate Rice.
2.35 Medicine Now in Scotland. A report on the state of Scottish medical care.†
3.05 News and Wildlife.
3.30 The British Seafarer. A history in 26 parts (16).†
4.15 The Dragon and the Bear. Philip Short on life in China and the USSR (last in series).
4.30 Does he Take Sugar? Magazine for disabled listeners.
5.00 News.
5.02 Peter as Pilgrim. Brian Redhead looks at Britain's Catholic community in the light of the Pope's forthcoming visit.
5.25 Week Ending. A satirical look at the past week's news.†
5.55 Weather and Travel; Programme News.
6.00 News, Sports round-up.
6.30 Desert Island Discs. Castaway: actress, Jenny Agutter.†
7.10 Stop the Week.†
7.40 Baker's Dozen.†
8.30 Play. "A Taste of Honey" by Shelagh Delaney.†
9.58 Weather.
10.00 News.
10.30 Lead — Evil or Necessity? The medical case for banning lead in petrol, and the financial case against.
11.15 Lighten our Darkness. An evening meditation.
11.30 Stop the Week (as at 6.55 pm).†
12.00 News and Weather.
ENGLAND: VHF — with ll above except as follows: 6.25 am-6.30 Weaher; Travel. 1.55 pm-2.00 Programme News. 5.50-5.55 Programme News.

Radio 3

7.55 Weather. 8.00 News. 8.00 Aubade. Dakas, Alkan, Poulenc, Faure, Saint-Saens; records.† 9.00 News. 9.05 Record Review.† 10.15 Stereo Release. New records: Delius, Shostakovich.† 11.30 Bandstand. Locke Brass Consort: Wilfred Josephs, Tchaikovsky arr. Stobart, Francois Glorieux.† 12.00 Haydn String Quartets: Recital direct from the Concert Hall, Broadcasting House, London.† 1.00 News. 1.05 Early Music Forum.† 2.00 The Symphonies Mahler. Kurt Schwertsik, Pfitzner, Mozart, Mahler (Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen, Symphony No 1).† 4.15 Images of Debussy. Talk illustrated with records.† 5.00 Jazz Record Requests.† 5.45 Critics' Forum. 6.35 Beethoven's Piano. Piano recital on record.† 7.00 Berlin Philharmonic Centenary. Mahler's Symphony No. 9, direct from the Philharmonie, Berlin.† 8.30 Samuel Barber. A profile of the American composer (1910-1981).† 9.30 The English Concert. Concert: Avison, John Stanley, Maurice Greene, James Nares, Handel.† 10.15 Livings. Poetry readings on the theme "doctors and nurses". 10.35 Wind Music from Mannheim. Recital: Cark Stamitz, Denzi; records. 11.00 News. 11.15 Guillaume Dufay on record.† VHF only — Open University: 5.55 am Genetics. 6.15 Waiting for the Big One. 6.55 Technology — Policy and Participation. 7.15 Music as a Language. 7.35-7.55 Maths Foundation Tutorial. 11.20 pm Open Forum "Wolverton for Pride". 12.00 From Baroque to Classical. 12.20-12.40 am Wittgenstein on "Simples".

Radio 2

5.00 Tony Brandon.† 8.05 David Jacobs.† 10.00 Val Doonican.† 11.03 Steve Jones.† 1.00 pm The News Huddlines. 1.30 Sport on 2: Football; Racing; Cricket; Rugby Union; Rugby League. 6.00 Country Greats in Concert. 7.00 Jazz Score. 7.30 Big Band Special.† 8.00 A Viennese Evening.† 10.00 Nordring 81.† 11.10 Pete Murray.† 2.00 You and the Night and the Music.†


Herbert von Karajan: Radio 3, 7.00 pm

Radio 1

5.00 As Radio 2. 7.00 Wake Up to the Weekend. 8.00 Tony Blackburn. 10.00 Paul Burnett. 1.00 pm Adrian Juste.† 2.00 A King in New York † 2.05 Paul Gambaccini.† 4.00 Walters' Weekly † 5.00 Rock On.† 6.30 In Concert. 7.30 Close. 5.00 With Radio 2. 1.00 With Radio 1. 7.30 With Radio 2.

World Service

BBC World Service can be received in Western Europe on medium wave (648 kHz 463m) at the following times GMT.- 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Terry Wogan's Album Time 7.00 World News 7.09 News about Britain 7.15 From the Weeklies 7.30 Classical Record Review 7.45 Network UK 8.00 World News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 The Moon and Sixpence 8.30 These Musical Islands 9.00 World News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News 9.40 Look Ahead 9.45 Science in Action 10.15 New Ideas 10.25 The Week in Wales 10.30 Thirty Minute Theatre 11.00 World News 11.09 News about Britain 11.15 About Britain 11.30 Meridian 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Anything Goes 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 World News 1.09 Commentary 1.15 Network UK 1.30 Gloria Hunniford 2.00 Saturday Special 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 Saturday Special 4.00 World News 4.09 Commentary 4.15 Saturday Special 8.00 World News 8.09 Commentary 8.15 Good Books 8.30 These Musical Islands 9.00 They Showed Us the Past 9.15 The Brotherhood of Brass 9.30 People and Politics 10.00 World News 10.09 From Our Own Correspondent 10.30New Ideas 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 World News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 Letterbox 11.30 Meridian 12.00 World News 12.09am News about Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Play of the Week 1.30 Command Performance 2.00 World News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Good Books 2.30 Sports Roundup 3.00 World News 3.09 News about Britain 3.15 From Our Own Correspondent 3.30 These Musical Islands 4.45 Financial Review 4.55 Reflections 5.00 World News 5.09 Review of the British Press 5.15 Letterbox 5.45 Letter from America

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC 1

BBC Cymru/Wales 5.40-5.45 pm Sports News Wales. 1.5 am Weather. Scotland 5.40-5.45 pm Scoreboard. Sports round-up. 10.40-11.40 Sportscene. Football: Scottish League and English First Division highlights. Plus "Goal of the Season." 1.5 am Scottish News summary and weather. Northern Ireland 5.40-5.45 pm Northern Ireland News and Sport. 1.5 am Northern Ireland news headlines and weather. England 5.40-5.45 pm South-West (Plymouth): Spotlight Sport. All other English regions: Sport/Regional News. 1.10 am Close.

CHANNEL

As London except: Starts 12.15 pm World of Sport. 5.15 Puffin's Pla(i)ce. 5.20 WKRP in Cincinnati. 5.45 Sale of the Century. 6.15-6.45 Mr Merlin. 11.25 Bizarre. 11.55 am Manhattan Transfer. 12.25 am Three's Company. 12.50 Closedown.

TYNE TEES

As London except: Starts 9.00 am Story Hour. 9.55 Cartoon. 10.05 Joe 90. 10.35 Film: Bomb at Ten Ten (George Montgomery). Prisoners escape from a Nazi concentration camp. 12.13 pm-12.15 News. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.30 World Cup Quiz. 12.00 Monte Carlo Show: Oak Ridge Boys. 12.45 am Three's Company.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEREO ★ BLACK AND WHITE: (r) REPEAT.

GRANADA

As London except: Starts. 9.25 Flying Kiwi. 9.50 Captain nemo. 9.55 Sport Billy. 10.15-11.15 Sesame Street. 5.45-6.45 Chips 11.30 Star and the Story. 11.55 100 Rifles: Bloodbath as American sheriff tries to arrest a bank robber Mexico. 1.15am Closedown.

HTV

As London except: Starts 9.55 am Adventures of Black Beauty. 10.20 Sesame Street. 11.20 Space 1999. 12.13 pm-12.15 News. 5.45 Happy Days. 6.15 Jangles (Hazel O'Connor). First in a new drama series about teenagers and Jangles, a music venue. 11.15 Palace Presents: Michael Legrand and Rolf Harris. 12.25 am Closedown.

HTV CYMRU/WALES

As HTV West except 9.55 am-10.20 Razzamatazz. 5.15 pm-5.45 Siôn a Siân.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: Starts. 9.00am Here's Boomer. 9.20 Thundrbirds. 10.10 Adventures of Black Beauty. 10.35-12.15am Film: Catlow (Yul Brynner) Maverick cattleman becomes a sheriff. 5.45-6.45 Incredible Hulk. 11.30 Bizarre. 12.00 Star Parade: Donna Summer. 1.00am Closedown.

ANGLIA

As Thames except: Starts 9.00 Sesame Street. 10.00 Sport Billy. 10.25 Thunderbirds. 11.20-12.15 Tarzan. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.30 Vegas. 12.30 That's Hollywood: Disasters. 12.55 At The End Of The Day. Closedown.

BORDER

As Thames except: Starts 9.40 Untamed World. 10.05 Tarzan. 10.55 Adventures of Black Beauty. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.25 Streets Of San Francisco. 12.20 Closedown.

SCOTTISH

As London except: Starts 9.20 Vicky the Viking. 10.35-12.15 Film: Geordie — Adept at throwing the hammer, young Geordie wins the event at the Highland Games. But when he is asked to participate in the Olypics in Australia, he doesn't want to go. Starring (Alastair Sim, Bill Travers) Molly Urquhart, Jameson Clarke. 12.00 Late Call. 12.05 That's Hollywood. 12.30 Closedown.

GRAMPIAN

As Thames except: Starts. 9.10 Fangface. 9.35 Spiderman. 10.00 Welcome Back Fotter. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.30 Reflections. 11.35 Film: Devil's Web. Nurse takes possession of the souls of three Beautiful sisters. 12.55 Closedown.

CENTRAL

As London except: 9.15am Paint Along with Nancy: 9.45 Sesame Street. 10.45 Stingray. 11.15 Off the Record: Hazel O'Connor. 11.15-12.15pm International Bowls. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 7.45-9.55 Film Modusa Touch Richard Buron Lee Remick. Writer believes he is capable of causing "natural" disarsters. 12.00 Portrait of a Legend: Alice Cooper. 12.30am Closedown.

TSW

As London except: Starts 9.05 am Wheelie and the Chopper Bunch. 9.30 Saturday Show. 10.30 Incredible Hulk. 11.20 Sport Billy. 11.45 Adventures of Black Beauty. 12.12 pm-12.15 News. 5.15 Newsport. 5.20 WKRP in Cincinnati. 5.45 Sale of the Century. 6.15-6.45 Mr Merlin. 11.25 Bizarre. 11.55 Manhattan Transfer. 12.25 am Three's Company. 12.50 Postscript. 12.56 Closedown.

TVS

As London except: Starts 9.15 am Saturday Brief. 9.20 Sesame Street. 10.20 Sport Billy. 10.45 Space 1999. 11.45-12.15 pm Film Fun 5.50-6.45 Incredible Hulk. 11.30 Two of Us. 12.00 Entertainers: Judie Tzuke. 12.30 am Company. Closedown.

CHOICE


Linda Evans: Dynasty (BBC 1, 9.10)

● JERUSALEM'S ARMY (ITV, 10.25pm) attempts to do for 150 years of mass unemployment in Britain what Oh What a Lovely War did for the four years of the First World War. There is the same bitter counterpoint between song and picture, the same remorseless upward spiral of statistics (for the dead men of war read the dead-end men of peace), the same looming phantom casting dark shadows over humanity's face (for Armageddon, read inflation). Tonight's musical documentary shares something else with Oh What a Lovely War — the composer and musical arranger Alfred Ralston. He has a remarkable talent for using music to take the worst of the pain out of social travail. Also to be admired in Jerusalem's Army — the grim cartoon sequences which have made the commentator's role redundant

● It is mostly a good day for films on TV. Orson Welles's THE LADY FROM SHANGHAI (BBC 2, 12.05am) is rightly famous for its concluding shoot-out in the hall of mirrors at an amusement park, and for the concentrated evil of Everett Sloane. And there is superb climax of a very different sort in Charles Crichton's HUE AND CRY (BBC 2, 3.15pm), with its tidal wave of London boys engulfing a gang of crooks. An early Ealing success this, confidently pointing the way to the studio's extraordinary future.

● One of the highest compliments I can pay Alfred Bradley's production of A TASTE OF HONEY, given another airing on Radio 4 at 8.30pm as part of the Dramatic Revival season, is that as it unfolded, it made me stop comparing it with the Tony Richardson film and emerged as a first-rate piece of work in its own right.

● Musical highlight: the centenary concert of the Berlin Philharmonic (Radio 3, 7.00pm), with von Karajan conducting Mahler's Ninth.

BBC 1

6.25 Open University: Berlin Siedlungen. 6.50 Harmony. 7.15 Sexual Identity. 7.40 Teaching and Control. 8.05 Polluted Water. 8.30 Farmers' Decisions. 9.00 Trumpton.(r) 9.15 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan. 9.45 Supervisors: Problems, problems.(r) 10.10 Micros in the Classroom: school micro-computers. 10.35 The Engineers: Ron Clark.(r) 11.00 The Skill of Lip-Reading: marriages under strain.(r) 11.25 Télé-Montage: Homage to Georges Brassens.(r) 11.50 Delia Smith's Cookery Course: offal.(r) 12.15 This is the Day: The all-embracing religious programme. 12.55 Farming. 1.25 Education Shop.(r) 1.50 News and weather. 1.55 Film: Brief Encounter (1945) A near-adulterous relationship in suburbia (see Choice); 3.35 Cartoon: 3.45 The High Chaparral: venerable western.

4.35 Buskers: Companion piece to last Sunday's film about London's unofficial musicians. Today: the music-makers in the city's Underground, and the game they play with London Transport police.
5.00 The Onedin Line: Drama series, set in the days of the tall ships.(r)
5.50 News: with Jan Leeming. And weather forecast.
6.00 Antiques Roadshow: Arthur Negus and Hugh Scully in Bolton. Organ buffs are given a final look at the fine instrument that was the pride of the town's Albert Hall. The building was burnt down shortly after this show was recorded, and the organ was destroyed.
6.40 Songs of Praise: The good folk of Evesham tell their stories to Michael Barratt, and their favourite hymns are sung in All Saints Parish Church.
7.15 Nye: Paul Ferris's play about the great Welsh politician Aneurin Bevan stars John Hartley. A BBC Wales production. (See Choice)
9.05 Mastermind Champions: Second semi-final of this competition featuring Mastermind winners over the past 10 years. They include former London taxi driver, now radio and television personality, Fred Housego. The question master is Magnus Magnusson. The final is tomorrow night.
9.45 News: the reader is Jan Leeming.
9.55 Omnibus: Barry Norman talks to the veteran ballet dancer Anton Dolin, the other half of the partnership with Alicia Markova. He is now 77, and still active. Norman also talks to author Susan Hill.
10.45 Choices: Personal dilemmas, explained by members of the studio audience, and discussed by Mary Whitehouse, Kenneth Williams and Phillip Whitehead, MP. In the chair: Libby Purves.
11.30 Your Mind in Their Hands: the case histories of three women suffering from different sorts of mental illness.
11.45 International Show Jumping: The Kerrygold Championship, at Hickstead.
12.15 Weather forecast.

BBC 2

6.25 Open University. Today's subjects range from Neurochemistry at 6.25 and Human Factors in Aviation at 6.50 to Microfossils at 1.05 and Evolution of Fishes at 1.30. OU programme end at 1.55; followed by Sunday Grandstand: Today's line-up consists of International Snooker at 2.00 (the third day's play in the Embassy Professional Championship, from the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield: more at 9.05 and 10.45 tonight). Ray Readon, Fred Davis and Dennis Taylor are all playing today; 2.30. International Show Jumping: The Kerrygold Championship, at Hickstead; 3.00 The Rugby League Cup Final.

4.00 Sunday Grandstand: continues with further coverage of International Snooker, International Show Jumping and the Rugby League Cup Final.
6.50 News Review: with Jan Leeming and Sub-titles for the hard of hearing.
7.17 The World About Us: Last Days in Sinai. Thre Sinai pernisula, captured by Israel during the 1967 war, has now been handed back to Egypt. Trevor Philpot finds out what happened to Sinai during the 15 years it was occupied.
8.05 News: with Jan Leeming.
8.10 The Woman in White: Second showing of episode 3 of the Wilkie Collins melodrama. Marian (Diana Quick) overhears Fosco and Glyde (Alan Badel and John Shrapnel) plotting Laura's death. (r)
9.05 International Snooker: Embassy World Championships.
9.45 Gold from the Deep; The Salvage of the Century. The remarkable story of the recovery of £45 million worth of Russian gold from the bomb room of the British cruiser HMS Edinburgh, sunk by German torpedoes in the Barents Sea forty years ago today.
10.45 Newsnight Falklands Special.
11.10 International Snooker.
11.15 Macbeth* (1948) Newly restored version of Orson Welles's brave stab at Shakespeare. Visually very striking, it is occasionally fine to listen to as well, though the text was savaged. Welles plays Macbeth, Jeanette Noland is his lady, and Dan O'Herlihy is Macduff. Ends at 1.00am.

ITV/LONDON

9.05 Me and My Camera: how your living room can become a studio (r); 9.35 Lost Islands: marooned children drama serial (r); 10.00 Morning Worship: from Ampleforth Abbey, Yorkshire; 10.35 The Tinker's Tale: The al fresco life of Jock Fraser, the cycling tinker; 11.00 Getting On: hearing problems of the elderly; 11.30 Sport Billy: cartoon; 12.00 Weekend World: The lates developments in the Falklands crisis; 1.00 The Flying Kiwi: a family and their vintage car (1929, Vauxhall Hurlingham); 1.30 Skin: The plight of the elderly in London's Indian and Asian communities. An investigation by Lincoln Browne; 2.00 Police 5: with Shaw Taylor; 2.15 Cartoon; 2.30 London news headlines and The Big Match: action from three of yesterday's League games; 3.30 Chips: A huge boulder threatens to destroy some homes close to the main highway.

4.30 Arthur C Clarke's Mysterious World: the technology of past civilizations. Was there, for instance a computer in the days of Ancient Greece? (r).
5.30 Sale of the Century: the Nicholas Parsons quiz show.
6.00 Credo: Genetic Ethics. The moral dilemmas presented by recent advances in the field of genetics and the creation of test-tube babies.
6.30 News from ITN.
6.40 Sing to the Lord: Religious music and words from Wales. Introduced by Clifford Evans.
7.15 House Calls: Hospital comedy series, imported from the US. A nurse has posed in the nude for a magazine. Should she be sacked? The issue splits the staff. With Lynn Redgrave.
7.45 Hart to Hart: husband and wife investigators Jonathan and Jennifer Hart (Robert Wagner and Stefanie Powers) probe a wine trade fraud.
8.45 News from ITN
9.15 A Kind of Loving: Episode 5 of the Stan Barstow story. Vic and Ingrid (Clive Wood and Joanne Whalley) have now been married three years, and the cracks in their relationship ar beginning to show. Offered a job in Essex, Vic wants to accept it, but Ingrid is not happy about leaving the North. Also, her ingnorance of world affairs is getting under her husband's skin.
10.15 Tales of the Unexpected: The Eavesdropper. Listening in to a café conversation, a wife (Dorothy Tutin) is convinced that her husband (Michael Craig) is being unfaithful to her.
10.45 The South Bank Show: Caught in the Act. What happened at Wormwood Scrubs maximum security prison when the inmates staged the farce Pillar to Post, with the help of some professional actresses (see Choice).
11.45 London news headlines. They are followed immediately by Nightlife: the Steve Gibbons Band in a rock concert recorded in Bremen.
00.30 Close: Mary Craig with a reading on the theme of love and the mystery of life.

Radio 4

6.30 Morning has Broken.
6.55 Weather; Travel and Programme News.
7.00 News.
7.10 Sunday papers.
7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye.
7.45 Bells.
7.50 The Shape of God.
7.55 Weather; Travel and Programme News.
8.00 News.
8.30 Sunday Papers.
8.50 Week's Good Cause.
8.55 Weather; Travel and Programme News.
9.00 News.
9.10 Sunday Papers.
9.15 Letter from America.
9.30 Morning Service from Green Street Methodist Church, Aberdare.
10.15 News.
10.17 The Archers.
11.17 Weekend featuring Lenny Henry, and some weekday "Womans Hour" highlights.
12.00 Earthsearch II A 10-part adventure serial in space and time (2) †
12.30 The Food Programme. Derek Cooper presents a good ice-cream guide.
12.55 Weather and Programme News.
1.00 The World This Weekend.
2.00 News.
2.02 Gardeners' Question Time visits Scotland.
2.30 I, William Shakespeare Imagined scenes from a documentary life by John Wilders and John Powell. Martin Jarvis plays Shakepeare.
5.00 News and Travel; Programme News.
5.05 Down Your Way visits Hexam, Northumberland.
5.55 Weatherand Programme News.
6.00 News.
6.30 You the Jury. Current and controversial issues are put on trial before an audience in Broadcasting House, London. †
7.15 Travel; Programme News.
7.17 The Other Side of Silence The novel by Ted Allbeury dramatized in eight parts (5). †
7.45 Bookshelf featuring Iris Murdoch and Susan Hill.
8.15 Music to Remember BBC Northern Symphony Orchestra Strauss, Dvorak. †
9.00 News.
9.02 Never Been Kissed in the Same Place Twice (new series) A love story in six parts, set against the backgroung of the music-hall, by Allan Prior (1).
9.58 Weather.
10.00 News.
10.30 Odysses: "Italiani in Scozzia". Scots Italians recall their lives.
11.15 Before the Ending of the Day. The evening office of compline.
11.30 Inside Parliament.
12.00 News and Weather.
ENGLAND VHF — with II above except as follows; 7.15-7.55 Open University. 1.55-2.00 Programme News. 4.00-6.00 Study on 4.

Radio 3

7.55 Weather.
8.00 News.
8.05 Reginald Kell (new series) Records featuring the British clarinettist: Templeton, Mozart, Brahms.
9.00 News.
9.05 Your Concert Choice. Record requests: Handel, Bruch, Durufle.†
10.30 Music Weekly.†
11.20 Cleveland Orchestra Concert. Part 1: Dvorak, Rachmaninov.†
11.55 Words. Talk by Janet Adam Smith (2).
12.00 Cleveland Orchestra Part 2: Mussorgsky orch. Ravel.
12.40 Harpsichord Recital. Alessandro Poglietti.
1.00 London Sinfonietta Concert: Hindemith, Busoni arr. Schoenberg, Stravinsky.†
2.00 Lohengrin. An opera in three acts by Wagner. The 1981 La Scala production (sung in German) Act 1.†
3.05 Silences. Poetry readings on a theme.
3.25 Lonhengrin Act 2.
4.50 Interval Reading.
4.55 Lohengrin, Act 3.
6.00 Drottningholm: A Theatre Lost and Found (s) Roger Savage looks at the history of the theatre at Drottningholm in Sweden.
7.00 David Munrow. Binchois, Baston, Tinctoris, Praetorius, records.†
7.45 The Antolian Head. Play by Carey Harrison.†
9.00 Hungarian State Symphony Orchestra Concert in a deferred relay from the Royal Albert Hall, London. Part 1: Kodaly, Tchaikovsky.†
9.50 For the Conveyance of Oysters by Peter Barnes, after Gorky's "Reminiscences of Anton Chekov."
10.10 Concert Part: Brahms.†
11.00 News.
11.05 Three Shakespeare Partsongs. Benjamin Cooke, R. J. S. Stevens, George Macfarren.†
VHF only — Open University: 5.55 am The Black English Case. 6.15 Post-Impressionism in England. 6.35 "Sweeney Agonistes". 6.55 Piaget and After. 7.15 Microeconomics. 7.35-7.55 Wildlife as Food. 11.20 pm until 1 am.

Radio 2

5.00 Tony Brandon.† 7.30 Nick Page.† 9.00 David Jacobs.† 11.00 Two's Best.† 12.00 Desmond Carrington.† 1.30 The Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket.† 2.00 Benny Green.† 3.05 Alan Dell.† 4.00 Sing Something Simple.† 4.35 String Sound.† 5.00 Comedy Classics. 5.30 Charlie Chester. 6.30 Strictly Instrumental. 7.00 Let's Get Together. 7.30 Glamorous Nights. 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour. 9.00 Your 100 Best Tunes. 10.00 Europe 82.† 11.05 Pete Murray.† 2.05-5.00 am You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1

8.00 Tony Blackburn. 10.00 Rocko. 12.30 Jimmy Savile. 2.30 Studio B15. 4.00 Paul Gambaccini. 5.00 Top 40.† 7.00 The Record Producers: Chris Thomas.† 8.00 Sounds of Jazz † 10.00 Close. VHF RADIOS 1 and 2 5.00 With Radio 2. 5.00 With Radio 1. 10.00-5.00 am With Radio 2.

World Service

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC 1

CYMRU/WALES: 8 55-9.50 am Yr Awr Fawr Yn 100!! 9.50-10.05 Bys a Bawd. 1005-10.35 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan. 12.55-1.25 pm Farming in Wales. 1.55-2.20 Rolf Harris Cartoon Time. 2.20-3.20 Great Railway Journeys of the World. 3.20-3.45 The Prince of Wales visits The Asian Society of Wales. 11.20-11.45 Conference Report. (Welsh Trades Union Council). 12.15-12.40 am Your Mind in their Hands. 12.40 News of Wales. SCOTLAND: 12.55-1.25 Landward. 1.25-1.50 Agenda. 10.45-11.20 Voyager "How Far Can You Go?". 12.15 am Scottish news Summary. NORTHERN IRELAND: 12.15 am Northern Ireland news. ENGLAND: 12.20 am Close.

GRAMPIAN

As London except: 9.05 am About Gaelic. 9.30 Me and My Camera. 10.00 Full Life: Lady Longford. 10.30-11.00 Greatest Thinkers: Columbus. 11.30-1200 Gardening Time. 1.00 pm University Challenge. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00 Unaccustomed as I Am. ... 3.00 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 4.00-5.30 Scotsport. 7.15-7.45 Benson. 11.45 Danger UXB. 12.45 am Reflections. 12.50 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: Starts 9.00 Getting On. 9.25 Gardening Time. 9.55-10.00 Bubblies. 11.00 Me and My Camera. 11.30-12.00 Farming Diary. 1.00 University Challenge. 1.30 Calendar. 2.00 Fantastic Four. 2.30 Big Game. 3.30 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 4.00-5.30 Film: 13 Frightened Girls (Kathy Dunn). 7.15-7.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 11.45 Five Minutes. 11.50 Lifeline. 12.45 Closedown.

ANGLIA

As London except: Starts 9.30 am-10.00 Paint Along with Nancy. 11.30-12.00 Me and My Camera. 1.00 pm University Challenge. 1.30 Weather. 1.35 Farming Diary. 2.00 Cartoon. 2.30 Match of the Week. 3.30 Arthur C. Clarke's. Mysterious World. 4.00 Mork and Mindy. 4.30 Beyond Westworld. 7.15-7.45 The Two of Us. 11.45 Barney Miller. 12.15 am Living and Growing. 12.45 Patrick on the Popes.

TYNE TEES

As London except: Starts 9.00 am Getting On. 9.30-10.00 Me and My Camera. 11.00 Lookaround. 11.02 Sport Billy. 11.30 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 11.58-12.00 University Challenge. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00 Welcome Back, Kotter. 2.30 Shoot! 3.30 News. 3.32 Charlie's Angels. 4.30-5.30 Little House on the Prairie. 7.15-7.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 11.30 Then Came Bronson. 12.30 am Epilogue.

TSW

As London except: Starts 9.25 Sunday First. 9.30-10.00 Getting On. 11.00 Me and My Camera. 11.30-12.00 South West Week. 1.00 University Challenge. 1.30 Farming News. 2.00 Golf Doctor. 2.05-2.30 Gardens For All. 3.30 Arthur C. Clarke's mysterious World. 4.00 Film: Stunts Unlimited (Chips Mayer). Undercover agent who operates with Hollywood stuntmen. 5.30-6.00 Gambit. 7.15 Diff'rent Strokes. 7.45-8.45 Hawaii Five-O. 11.45 Great Depression. 12.45 Postscript. 12.51 Closedown.

CHANNEL

As London except: Starts 2.08-2.30 Gardens for all. 3.30 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 4.00 Film: Stunts Unlimited (Chip Mayer) Undercover agent who operates with Hollywood stuntmen. 5.30-6.00 Gambit. 7.15 Diff'rent Strokes. 7.45-8.45 Hawaii Five-O. 11.45 Great Depression: Germany. 12.45 am Epilogue.

BORDER

As London except: Starts 9.30 am-10.00 Me and My Camera. 11.30-12.00 Gardening Time. 1.00 pm History of the Car. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00-2.30 Wild, Wild World of Animals. 3.30 Border Diary. 3.30-500 Film: Chopper Squad (Dennis Grosvenor). 7.15-7.45 Different Strokes. 11.45 Closedown.

SCOTTISH

As London except: 9.30 am Friends of my Friends. 10.00-11.00 Sesame Street. 11.30-12.00 Survival. 1.00 pm Arthur C. Clarke's Mystertous World. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00 University Challenge. 2.30 Unaccustomed As I Am. 3.30 Dinah Saur Show. 3.45 Glen Michael Cavalcade. 4.25-5.30 Scotsport. 11.45 Late Call. 11.50 New Avengers. 12.45 am Closedown.

TVS

As London except: starts 9.30-10.00 Me and My Camera. 11.30-12.00 Stingray. 1.00 Survival. 1.30 Farm Focus. 2.00 University Challenge. 2.30 Sunday Sportshow. 3.30 Last of Summer. 4.25 Jangles. 4.55-5.00 News. 7.15 Private Benjamin. 11.45 News. 11.50 New Wolfe. 12.45 Company Closedown.

HTV

As London except: Starts 9.00-10.00 Sesame Street. 11.30-12.00 Me and My Camera. 1.00 University Challenge. 1.30 Farming Diary 2.00-2.30 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 3.30 Film: Operational Crossbow (Sophia Loren, George Peppard). Secret mission to destroy Germany's flying bombs. 5.30-6.00 Mork and Mindy. 7.15-7.45 Two of Us. 11.45 Bizarre. 12.15 Closedown.

HTV CYMRU/WALES

As HTV West except: 2.00-2.30 Worzel Gummidge. 5.30 Dwy Fam. 6.00-6.30 Mork and Mindy.

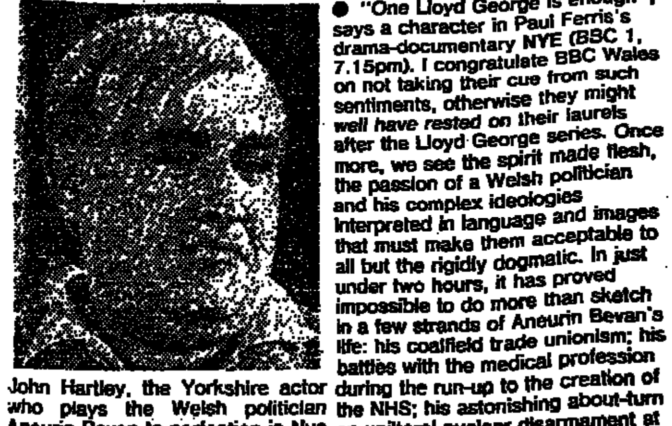
GRANADA

As London except: 9.30-10.00 Paint Along With Nancy. 11.00 Me and My Camera. 11.25 Aap Kaa Hak. 11.30-12.00 Down to Earth. 1.00 University Challenge. 1.30 Chopper One. 1.55 Match Time. 3.00 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 5.30 Film: Boy on a Dolphin (Alan Ladd, Sophia Loren). A Greek girl discovers a valuable antique while diving and an American collector tries to steal it. 7.15-7.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 11.45 Lifeline. 12.45 Closedown.

CENTRAL

As London except: Starts 9.30-10.00 Mr and My Camera. 11.30-12.00 Gardening Time. 1.00 University Challenge. 1.30 Here and Now. 2.00 Benson. 2.30 Star Soccer. 3.30 Film. Raid on Rommel (Richard Burton). British officer releases prisoners and leads them in an assault on Tobruk. 5.15-5.30 Nails. 7.15-7.45 Rising Damp. 11.45 Nero Wolfe. 12.45 Closedown.

CHOICE


John Hartley, the Yorkshire actor who plays the Welsh politician Aneurin Bevan to perfection in Nye (BBC 1, 7.15 pm)

● "One Lloyd George is enough", says a character in Paul Ferris's drama-documentary NYE (BBC 1, 7.15pm). I congratulate BBC Wales on not taking their cue from such sentiments, otherwise they might well have rested on their laurels after the Lloyd George series. Once more, we see the spirit made flesh, the passion of a Welsh politician and his complex ideologies interpreted in language and images that must make them acceptable to all but the rigidly dogmatic. In just under two hours, it has proved impossible to do more than sketch in a few strands of Aneurin Bevan's life: his coalfield trade unionism; his battles with the medical profession during the run-up to the creation of the NHS; his astonishing about-turn on unilateral nuclear disarmament at the 1957 Labour conference at Brighton. John Hartley's physical impersonation of Bevan is uncanny, as my photograph indicates. But the voice is exactly right, too and it is this which provides the essential key to any understanding of the power of this charismatic Welsh rebel.

● The best of the rest of today's TV programmes: CAUGHT IN THE ACT the South Bank Show's rewarding excursion to Wormwood Scrubs (ITV, 10.45pm) to see how some killers, arsonists and other long-serving prisoners put on a play with the help of four professional actresses ... and BRIEF ENCOUNTER (BBC 1, 1.55pm), which is being put out at short notice as a tribute to the late Celia Johnson. It is a performance — and a film — that I have never been able to watch without moist and prickling eyes.

● Radio highlights today: A repeat broadcast of John Wilders's and John Powell's ambitious and largely successful portrait of the Bard, I, WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (Radio 4, 2.30pm) starring Martin Jarvis; the 1981 La Scala production of LOHENGRIN (Radio 3, 2.00pm), with a cast headed by Rene Kollo, Anna Tomowa-Sintow and Siegmund Nimsgern, with Claudio Abbado conducting; and Carey Harrison's highly-praised (when first broadcast in 1980) play The Anatolian Head, with Maureen O'Brien as the headmistress who is the recipient of a very unorthodox gift from a former pupil (Radio 3, 7.45pm).

Test-tube twins 'are doing well'

By Nicholas Timmins

The first test-tube twins to be born in Britain were last night said to be "very healthy for their size and doing well".

The twins, Daniel and Christopher, were born to Mrs Josephine Smith, aged 31, at the Royal Free Hospital, Hamstead, north London, just before midnight on Thursday night.

They weighed 4lb 1oz and 5lb 2oz and were both delivered naturally, six weeks premature. Last night they were in the special care baby unit at the hospital, as a routine precaution.

They are the first test-tube babies born within the National Health Service since 1978 and 1979 when three were delivered under Dr Robert Edwards and Mr Patrick Steptoe at Oldham General Hospital. The twins make the team led by Professor Ian Craft, professor of obstrectrics and gynaecology at the Royal Free, only the second in Britain to achieve success with the technique.

In Mrs Smith's case, three fertilized eggs were replaced to increase the chances that one of them would implant. All three implanted initially, but one foetus then died.

Mrs Smith, aged 31, an Inland Revenue civil servant, and her husband Stewart, a Post Office worker, come from Stockport. She had been unable to have a child because she was born with one fallopian tube missing, and had to have the other removed after an ectopic pregnancy. Thus her only hope of having a child was by the test-tube baby technique.

☐ Professor Craft said last night he hoped similar births could happen throughout the health service (the Press Association reports). "If we can make the technique simpler and available in more district general hospital settings, then it is some hope for the future."

Research fears, page 2



A coracle pair working down the River Teifi, their net strung between them, before carrying home their catch and craft (below).

The netsmen nettled

From Tim Jones, Llechryd, Dyfed

In far west Wales an annual battle older than Christianity has begun again. Salmon and sea trout, sensing the fresh water pouring into Cardigan Bay, are moving up the rivers of their birth to breed in the upper reaches where fine gravel provides a nursery for their spawn.

Not all will make it, for waiting in the sweet-flowing River Teifi are the coracle fishermen. With a 14-ft net strung between them, two coracles working together drift down the gentle current to take their share of the harvest.

It is a timeless scene, but one the coracle men fear is threatened. The Welsh Water Authority, alarmed by decreasing stocks, is seeking new curbs to protect a business worth £30m a year.

The coracle men say their livelihood is being sacrificed to placate the wealthy angling clubs of England on whose stretches of the river thousands of members fish each year.

Mr Bernard Thomas, a coracle man for fifty years, agrees that the fish stock has fallen, but firmly denies that his ancient method is responsible for the decline.

"In 1860 there were 300 pairs on this river and salmon were so plentiful that farmers had to undertake not to give it to their servants more than twice a week.

"Now, there are only 16 licences for 32 pairs, but the authority issued more than 22,000 licences last year to individual anglers."

Mr Thomas, who once crossed the English Channel in a coracle, has lobbied Parloament with his craft on his back to gain protectiion for what he considers an integral part of Celtic culture.

"We have been persecuted since the time of James I and now it seems that the water authority wants to reduce the number of licences to just twelve. Others go even further and say we should only have six licences. Only anglers are now allowed Llechryd Bridge. I am disgusted that in 1982 a body of people, because they are in the majority, should want to suppress the ancient craft of a minority."



Bonn fails to crack British position

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to officials present at the negotiations. The Danish and French agriculture ministers rang Copenhagen, where President Mitterrand was on an official visit, and they told their leaders that Britain was still not prepared to give in on the farm package.

The French President, after conferring with Mr Jorgen[illegible] the Danish Prime Minis[illegible] rang Herr Schmidt in B[illegible] who was already appar[illegible]y annoyed at the fact [illegible] a week earlier Mr Pym [illegible] been unimpressed by a b[illegible]get rebate offer from his p[illegible]ners worth about £435m.

Her[illegible]osef Ertl, the West Germ[illegible] Agricultural Minister [illegible]lready been recalled earlie[illegible] the day from Luxe[illegible]urg to Bonn to discu[illegible] how to break the Britis[illegible]eadlock.

Pre[illegible]nt Mitterrand suggeste[illegible]hat Herr Schmidt migh[illegible] able to persuade Mrs [illegible]cher to soften the Briti[illegible]ine. At Number 10, Mrs [illegible]cher told him firmly on t[illegible]lephone that she had every [illegible]onfidence in her minis[illegible] ability to negotiate.

He[illegible]chmidt then decided to g[illegible] the fiery Herr Ertl the [illegible]ead to try to isolate Brita[illegible]nd crack its position by a[illegible]rizing him to spend whate[illegible] was necessary to bring [illegible]st Germany in line with [illegible]er countries. Herr Ertl [illegible] sent back into the nego[illegible]ons with his orders, while [illegible]esident Mitterrand and [illegible]orgensen rang other leade[illegible] the Benelux countries.

Mr [illegible]chanan-Smith said he "[illegible]enly" found France came [illegible] with proposals for yet [illegible]er price increases. The [illegible] Germans, he said, then [illegible]d to the French and the [illegible]s in turn. To the Britis[illegible] minister's astonishment [illegible]e Danes then put forw[illegible] price increase proposa[illegible] cereals, rape seed oil, [illegible] and beef and was given [illegible]unch West German and [illegible]ch backing.

"I [illegible]nd it extremely surp[illegible]," Mr Buchanan-Smith [illegible]d afterwards. Both Denm[illegible] and West Germany had [illegible] then backed British objec[illegible]s to the size of prope[illegible] price increases and suddenly they came forward with new even higher ones of their own. "I am very disappointed that some delegations were prepared to compromise their long standing positions," Mr Buchanan-Smith said.

There was at least one other sign of behind-the-scenes wheeling and dealing. Belgium was allowed to revalue its green franc rate by 5.8 per cent immediately, something which up to now France had vehemently opposed.

Mr Paul de Keersmaeker, the Belgium Agriculture minister who presided at the meeting, kept everyone working through the complicated dossier in an effort to clear up as much as possible before the budget negotiations resume. The final package has been approved in its totality now by seven out of the 10 countries although the wine question will still need a good deal of work done on it.

☐ Bonn: Herr Schmidt is understood to have conveyed to Mrs Thatcher his disapointment that she has not responded to European support over the Falkland crisis with a more helpful approach to Community problems (Patricia Clough writes).

The West Germans, who firmly back Britain have joined the trade embargo against Argentina at considerable sacrifice to themselves, are sore that this has not changed the British attitude to the Community. Herr Schmidt did not say this in so many words during his telephone conversation with Mrs Thatcher, informed sources said, but he implied it in their discussion of the Falkland crisis and of the EEC budget and agriculture problems.

☐ At a press conference here at the end of his three day state visit to Denmark, President Mitterrand, said today that France would not use the Falklands issue to press Britain to reach a swift solution of the EEC budgetary and agricultural price problems (Christopher Follett writes).

"That would be an unfortunate method," M Mitterrand said.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, Air Chief Commandant, Women's Royal Air Force, attends Air Gunners' Association Bomber Command reunion dinner at Grosvenor House Hotel, London, 6.30.

May Day

May Day festival,— Victoria Park, E8; Music, theatre, stalls, sideshows and fireworks; from 11.

May Day celebration — The Barbican Centre; 11 to 1 — children's party with dancing, folk music, Punch and Judy; throughout the day — traditional English folk dancing and entertainments.

Shadow Puppet Theatre for children aged four to 12; Lauderdale House, Waterlow Park, Highgate Hill, N6; 11.300.

Wheels of Yesterday — rally and May Day festival; Battersea Park, SW11; historical commercial vehicle display and steam vehicles, bands, children's entertainments.

Talks, lectures

Painting of the month — David Hockney: Mr and Mrs Clark and Percy; 2.30; and Monet — Three stages of Impressionism, by Laurence Bradbury, 3; both at Tate Gallery.

Wild Flowers of the chalk and limestone, by Joyce Pope; Natural History Museum, 3.

Life of the Virgin in medieval art, by Penelope Wallis, 12; and Paul Starr, by Miranda Neave, 3; both at Victoria and Albert Museum.

The conventions of naturalism in early Flemish painting by Charles Ford, National Gallery, 12.

From Amber to the Atom — development of electricity, by John Stevenson, Science Museum. 3—

Wonders of the ancient world, the Mausoleum at Halicarnassus, by Margaret Lyttelton, British Museum, 2.30.

Music

Concert by the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra. Town Hall, Birmingham, 7.

Halifax centenary concert including a specially commissioned overture entitled The Brontes by Wilfred Josephs; Civic Theatre, Halifax, 7.30.

Variation — The Vocal Ensemble, The Parish Church, Shepton Mallet, 8.

Recital by the choir of Guildford Cathedral, conducted by Philip Moore, organist Peter Wright, St. Matthew's Church, Northampton, 7.30.

Bristol Proms, Colston Hall, Colston Street, Bristol, 7.30.

General

Beer Festival, Pavilion, North Parade Road, Bath, 11 to 2.30.

Tomorrow

May Day

Steam Sunday; steam train rides and side shows; Quainton Railway Centre, Quainton Road station, Quainton, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire; 10 to 6.

Bygones weekend; and outdoor exhibition of domestic and agricultural and industrial bygones reflecting history of Burwell; Burwell, Cambridge; 10 to 6.

Craft fair and exhibitions at Leeds Castle, near Maidstone, Kent; 12 to 5.

Jousting at Chilhan Castle, near Canterbury, Kent; gates open 12 noon; jousting begins 2.30 to 4.

Talks, lectures

St Teresa,s Spain, by Rev Dr Colin Thompson, St Andrew-by-the-Wardrobe, 3.30.

Humanism with feeling, by Nicolas Walter, Library, Conway Hall, 25 Red Lion Square, WC1, 11.

Music

Concert by the Raglan Baroque players, St John;s Smith Square, Westminster, 7.30.

Bristol Proms, Colston. Hall, Colston Street, Bristol, 7.30.

Jazz with the Hiss and Boo Band, Phoenix Arts, 6 Newarke Street, Leicester, LE1, 12.

Walks

Picturesque Hampstead village and the Heath, meet Hampstead Underground, 11.

Sir Christopher Wren's London, meet Tower Hill Underground, 2.

Historic Pub walk — Thameside, meet Blackfriars Underground.

Regent's Canal, meet Camden Town Underground at 2.30 and walk to Paddington.

Solution of Puzzle No 15,814

Solution of Puzzle No 15,819

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15,820

A prize of The Times Atlas of the World *(comprehensive edition) will be given for the first correct solution opened next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to The Times, Saturday Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. The winner and solution will be published next Saturday.*

The winner of last Saturday's competition is Mr. W. S. Allen, 24, Sherlock Road, Cambridge.

Name ....

Address ....

ACROSS

1 Stone-age foresight? (10).
6 Like the ewe lamb, or the pearl of great price (4).
9 As Athene with Zeus, so Wendy with Barrie (5-5).
10 But at cards one's higher than he (4).
12 What may bring prices down in the sales (5,7).
15 Lacking entertainment on night of June 24 (9).
17 Broadcaster delighted to be walking thus? (2,3).
18 This said to expedite mending process, anyhow at this (5).
19 Enjoy drinks with National Trust — how permissive! (9).
20 Go in the local, upset about the races (12).
24 Whale-hunting 10 in the Bible? (4).
25 Item One on the agenda before doing anything else (5,5).
26 Openings in the East, certainly (4).
27 Sang, being famous (10).

DOWN

1 Goals for some who crawl (4).
2 Old Master comes up for a short test (4).
3 Perfection in addition, after study (12).
4 And this, with Brutus, seen as honourable! (5).
5 Business with many fell away and folded up (9).
7 I'm batting, exultant all round? "Out!" (10).
8 In tree development plant-groups are given new life (10).
11 Auburn rustics amazed "That one small head could carry all he knew" (12).
13 Falsify a deal? Utter nonsense! (10).
14 Satisfied with a few words in translation (10).
16 Abridge so record is in one volume . . . (9).
21 . . . . result, publication (5).
22 Chaff about one revel (4).
23 Oath used by renegades (4).

The three further winners, inadvertently omitted last week, of the Easter Jumbo Crossword competition are: Stephen Cooper, 12 Rydens Grove, Hersham, Walton on Thames, Surrey; J. Davies, 10 Egerton Road, Berkhamstead, Hertfordshire; and Miss E. M. Morgan, 55 Ben Nevis Road, Birkenhead, Merseyside. They will each receive £25.

May Day

The origin of this festive day may be in the nature worship of pagan Celtic communities. Most sources, however, seem to agree that it originated in the floral games of ancient Rome, albeit that by the reign of Augustus there was more flowering of sex than of plants. Over the centuries the day became an occasion to revel in the newly arrived bloom in the fields. In particular, it was an opportunity for city dwellers to enjoy the delights of the countryside.

The maypole was a distinctive feature in every town and village; in London, the parish of St Andrew Undershaft derives its name from the maypole there, higher than the steeple, Chaucer's "great shaft of Cornhill". May Day flourished at its height in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries; Henry VIII and Catherine of Aragon gathered with the Court on Shooter's Hill on that day. Customs varied throughout the country; in some places, chimney sweeps were part of the scene; in others, Jack O Green, clad in a frame bedecked with flowers; and in the north there may still be women who remember the ritual of bathing one's face in dew on May morn, a sure way of ensuring beauty.

Rail

British Rail London Midland region will be operating over 130 extra trains to meet the demand anticipated during the May Day holiday period. More than 100 of these will be excursions to popular inland and coastal resorts, while the remaining trains will supplement regular Inter-City services to make travel easier for passengers during this period.

Cheaper calls

New lower charges for trunk calls in the United Kingdom come into effect today. Most trunk calls over more than 35 *miles will* cost less. Peak rate calls will on average be 17 per cent cheaper and standard rate calls 20 per cent. British Telecom's 100 busiest routes have been formed into a category of "low-cost routes". Calls on them will on average cost 33 per cent less.

Last call

Telex and telegram communication with the Falkland Islands ceased from midday today, British Telecom said.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.75	1.67
Austria Sch	31.00	29.00
Belgium Fr	89.00	84.00
Canada $	2.24	2.15
Denmark Kr	14.81	14.06
Ireland Pd	1.25	1.20
France Fr	11.35	10.75
Germany Dm	4.37	4.12
Greece Dr	116.00	109.00
Hong Kong $	10.75	10.15
Italy Lit	2375.00	2275.00
Japan Yn	446.00	420.00
Netherlands Gld	4.84	4.58
Norway Kr.	11.20	10.60
Portugal Esc	132.00	125.00
South Africa Rd	2.32	2.12
Spain Pta	190.00	181.00
Sweden Kr	10.86	10.28
Switzerland Fr	3.66	3.44
USA $	1.85	1.78
Yugoslavia Dnr	98.00	92.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

London: The *FT* Index closed down 6.9 at 575.1

In the garden

Herbaceous perennials, delphiniums, paeonies and the like, are growing fast and need staking. Pea sticks may be available in country districts but are unobtainable in the towns. So canes and string, or wire plant supports are the answer, but do support these plants early before they are beaten down by rain.

Slugs and snails are around in large numbers having apparently survived the cold winter. Put down slug bait, or water the ground around slug's favourite plantss like lettuces with a liquid slug killer such as Slugit. The liquid control is safer if there are pets about but another application will be needed after heavy rains.

The sun is gaining strength so shading should be applied to a greenhouse. Green plastic blinds may be fitted inside, or shading material such as Coolglass sprayed or painted on the glass outside.

Sporting fixtures

Football: Full Football League and Scottish League programmes (see page 20).

Rugby Union: John Player Cup final: Gloucester v Moseley (Twickenham, 3.0); club matches (see page 20).

Cricket: MCC v Nottinghamshire (Lord's, 11.30 to 6.0); Cambridge University v Warwickshire (Cambridgeshire, 11.30 to 6.0); Oxford University v Kent (Oxford, 11.30 to 6.0); Indian Gymkhana XI v Indians (Osterley, Middlesex, 11.0).

Anniversaries

Joseph Addison was born at Milston, Wiltshire, 1672, and Arthur Wellesley, Duke of *Wellington, in Dublin.* John Dryden died in London, 1700, and Antonin Dvorak in Prague, 1904. The union of England and Scotland, 1707, The Great Exhibition at Hyde Park, London was opened by Queen Victoria, 1851.

Tomorrow

Alessandro Scarlatti was born at Palermo Sicily, 1660. Leonardo da Vinci died at Cloux, France, 1519, and Giacomo Meyerbeer in Paris, 1864. Charles II granted a charter to the Hudson's Bay Company, 1670.

Correction: Yesterday was the birthday of former Queen of the Netherlands Princess Juliana and not of the late queen as stated.

The papers

The Daily Mail writes today that the Argentinians, still refusing to yield on the crucial point of sovereignty but faced not only with the shattering scale of Britain's response but also with America's unambiguous hostility, may well try playing for time at the United Nations. There is a danger that Britain might get sucked in to that quagmire: but Mrs Thatcher, who has not made a wrong move since the crisis began, is surely aware of it, it says.

The Washington Post, in an editorial entitled An Unnecessary War, said there was no irreconcilable issue in the Falklands dispute and added there were only two governments stuck on the requirements of pride.

In Germany, the Frankfurter Rundschau is critical of the inflexible attitude of the "iron lady" who it says is the most disliked Prime Minister of British post-war times.

Weather forecast

A deep depression NE of Scotland will move steadily E.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, cent S, SW England, Channel Islands: Mostly cloudy, some rain in places, brighter later; wind NW, moderate or fresh; max temp 12C (54F).

East Anglia, Midlands, E England: Mostly cloudy, some rain, becoming brighter, scattered showers later; wind NW, moderate or fresh; max temp 10C (50F).

S Wales: Mostly cloudy, some rain becoming brighter, occasional showers later; wind NW, fresh or strong; max temp 10C (50F).

N Wales, NW, cent N, NE England, Lake District, Isle of Man: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain at first, becoming brighter, occasional showers, some wintry on hills; wind NW, fresh or strong; max temp 8C (46F).

Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee: Bright intervals, scattered wintry showers; wind NW, strong; max temp 8C (46F).

Aberdeen, SW, NE, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Cent Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyll, Orkney, Shetland, N Ireland: Rather cloudy, frequent blustery wintry showers; wind NW, strong, gale in places; max temp 6C (43F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Showers or longer outbreaks of rain in most parts, with sleet or snow in the N. Cold generally, night frosts.

Sea Passages: North Sea: Wind W or NW strong. Gale at times; Sea mainly rough. Straits of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind W or NW fresh. Strong at times; Rain. Sea moderate. St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind NW strong to gale decreasing slowly fresh; Rain. Sea rough becoming moderate.

TODAY

Sun rises: 5.33 am Sun sets: 8.23 pm

Moon sets: 3.27 am Moon rises: 12.43 pm

Full moon: May 8

TOMORROW

Sun rises: 5.31 am Sun sets: 8.25 pm

Moon sets: 3.56 am Moon rises: 1.50 pm

Full moon: May 8

Lighting-up time

London 8.52 pm to 5.01 am
Bristol 9.03 pm to 5.11 am
Edinburgh 9.21 pm to 4.58 am
Manchester 9.08 pm to 5.03 am
Penzance 9.11 pm to 5.27 am

Tomorrow

London 8.55 pm to 5.00 am
Bristol 9.04 pm to 5.09 am
Edinburgh 9.23 pm to 4.56 am
Manchester 9.10 pm to 5.01 am
Penzance 9.12 pm to 5.25 am

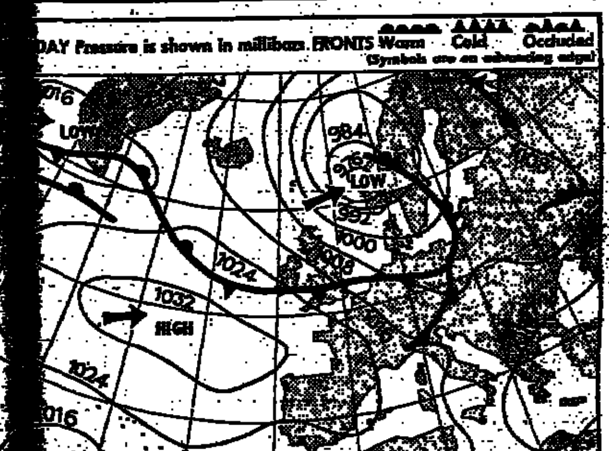
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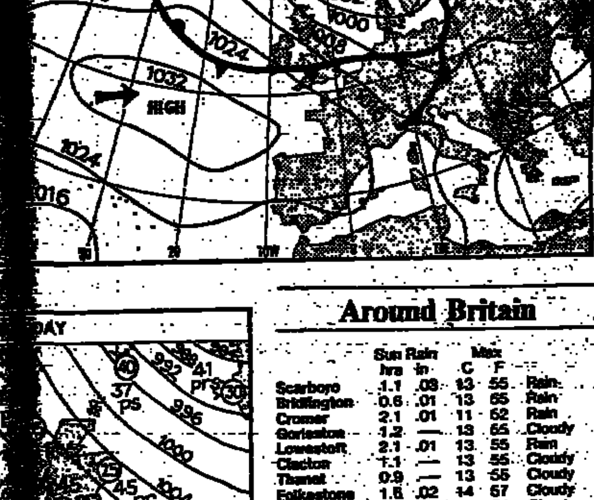
Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	c	10	50	Guernsey	c	11	52
Birmingham	c	11	52	Inverness	c	10	50
Blackpool	c	10	50	Jersey	c	11	52
Bristol	c	12	54	London	r	11	52
Cardiff	c	12	54	Manchester	c	10	50
Edinburgh	r	12	54	Newcastle	c	11	52
Glasgow	c	11	52	Ronaldsway	f	11	52

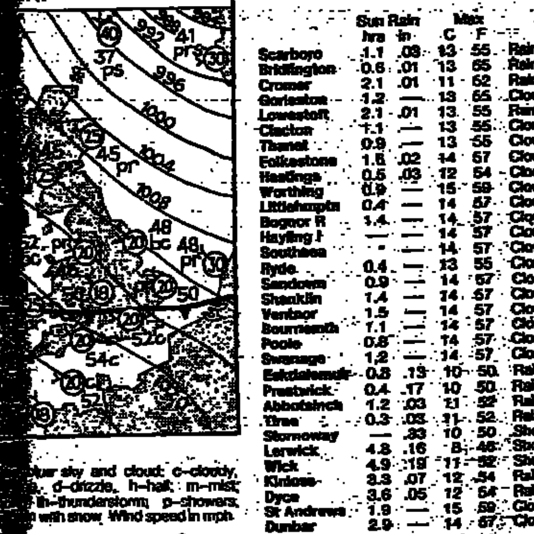
London

Temp: max 7 am, to 7 pm, 14 °C, (57 °F); min 7 pm to 7 am, 6 °C, (43 °F). Humidity: 7 pm, 62 per cent. Rain: 24 hr. to 7 pm, 0.1 in. Sun: 24 hr. to 7 pm, 0.6 hr. Bar: mean sea level: 7 pm, 1,017.4 millibars, steady 1,000 millibars = 29.53 in.





b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers; pr–periodical rain with snow. Wind speed in mph.



Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	1.1	.03	13	55	Rain
Bridlington	0.6	.01	13	55	Rain
Cromer	2.1	.01	11	52	Rain
Gorleston	1.2	—	13	55	Cloudy
Lowestoft	2.1	.01	13	55	Rain
Clacton	1.1	—	13	55	Cloudy
Thanet	0.9	—	13	55	Cloudy
Folkestone	1.6	.02	14	57	Cloudy
Hastings	0.5	.03	12	54	Cloudy
Worthing	0.9	—	15	59	Cloudy
Littlehampton	0.4	—	14	57	Cloudy
Bognor R	1.4	—	14	57	Cloudy
Hayling I	—	—	14	57	Cloudy
Southsea	-	—	14	57	Cloudy
Ryde	0.4	—	13	55	Cloudy
Sandown	0.9	—	14	57	Cloudy
Shanklin	1.4	—	14	57	Cloudy
Ventnor	1.5	—	14	57	Cloudy
Bournemouth	1.1	—	14	57	Cloudy
Poole	0.8	—	14	57	Cloudy
Swanage	1.2	—	14	57	Cloudy
Eskdalemuir	0.8	.13	10	50	Rain
Prestwick	0.4	.17	10	50	Rain
Abbotsinch	1.2	.03	11	52	Rain
Tiree	0.3	.03	11	52	Rain
Stornoway	—	.33	10	50	Showers
Lerwick	4.8	.16	8	46	Showers
Wick	4.9	.19	11	52	Showers
Kinloss	3.3	.07	12	54	Rain
Dyce	3.6	.05	12	54	Rain
St Andrews	1.9	—	15	59	Cloudy
Dunbar	2.9	—	14	57	Cloudy

High tides

TODAY

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	8.33	6.4	9.01	6.0
Aberdeen	8.26	3.5	9.32	3.5
Avonmouth	1.35	10.4	2.17	10.1
Belfast	6.51	3.2	6.54	2.9
Cardiff	1.19	9.7	2.02	9.5
Devonport	12.06	4.6	12.56	4.3
Dover	5.47	5.5	6.23	5.4
Falmouth			12.28	4.1
Glasgow	6.58	4.2	8.12	3.8
Harwich	6.28	3.6	7.04	3.3
Holyhead	5.16	4.7	6.18	4.5
Hull	12.51	6.2	1.12	6.1
Ilfracombe	12.22	7.5	1.12	7.1
Leith	9.46	4.6	10.27	4.8
Liverpool	6.01	7.9	6.50	7.7
Lowestoft	4.35	2.2	4.35	2.1
Margate	6.42	4.2	7.07	4.1
Milford Haven	12.44	5.7	1.29	5.4
Newquay			12.29	5.5
Oban	12.17	3.0	2.15	2.8
Penzance			12.18	4.3
Portland	12.53	1.5	1.59	1.3
Portsmouth	6.14	3.8	7.18	3.9
Shoreham	5.54	5.0	6.49	5.2
Southampton	5.52	3.9	6.51	4.0
Swansea	12.49	7.6	1.36	7.5
Tees	10.59	4.3	11.47	4.3
Walton-on-Naze	6.23	3.7	6.50	3.5

TOMORROW

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	9.44	6.3	10.14	6.0
Aberdeen	9.46	3.4	10.48	3.5
Avonmouth	2.48	10.2	3.34	10.2
Belfast	7.10	3.1	8.19	2.8
Cardiff	2.33	9.6	3.20	9.5
Devonport	1.28	4.5	2.29	4.3
Dover	7.25	5.4	7.57	5.5
Falmouth	12.56	4.3	1.59	4.1
Glasgow	8.05	4.0	10.20	3.9
Harwich	7.52	3.6	8.32	3.3
Holyhead	6.44	4.7	7.38	4.6
Hull	2.27	6.1	2.45	6.1
Ilfracombe	1.49	7.3	2.40	7.2
Leith	11.06	4.8	11.44	4.9
Liverpool	7.24	7.8	8.12	7.8
Lowestoft	5.59	2.2	5.51	2.1
Margate	8.04	4.1	8.28	4.0
Milford Haven	2.07	5.8	2.57	5.4
Newquay	1.07	5.6	1.56	5.5
Oban	2.55	3.0	3.30	2.9
Penzance	12.44	4.5	1.43	4.3
Portland	2.17	1.5	3.32	1.3
Portsmouth	7.42	3.7	8.39	4.0
Shoreham	7.24	4.9	8.13	5.3
Southampton	7.19	3.8	8.11	4.1
Swansea	2.14	7.4	3.05	7.4
Tees			12.13	4.3
Walton-on-Naze	7.45	3.6	8.12	3.5

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Abroad

MIDDAY; c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	f	15	59	Copenhgn	f	5	41	Majorca	f	21	70	Rome	c	16	61
Akrotiri	r	17	63	Corfu	c	12	54	Malaga	s	20	68	Salzburg	c	6	43
Alexandria				Dallas				Malta	f	17	63	Sao Paulo			
Algiers	f	23	73	Dublin	c	12	54	Melbourne				S Francisco			
Amsterdam	r	7	45	Dubrovnik	f	12	54	Mexico C				Santiago			
Athens	f	17	63	Faro	c	22	72	Miami				Seoul			
Bahrain	s	30	86	Florence	c	12	54	Milan	f	13	55	Singapore	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Barbados				Frankfurt	f	8	46	Montreal				Stockholm	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Barcelona	c	17	63	Funchal	s	18	64	Moscow	f	18	64	Strasbourg	f	9	48
Beirut	c	20	68	Geneva	f	8	46	Munich				Sydney			
Belgrade	f	15	59	Gibraltar	s	23	73	Nairobi				Tangier	f	19	66
Berlin	f	9	48	Helsinki	c	11	52	Naples	f	14	57	Tehran	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bermuda				Hongkong	f	21	70	New Delhi	s	31	88	Tel Aviv	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Biarritz	f	14	57	Innsbruck	c	6	43	New York				Tenerife	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Boulogne	[illegible]	8	46	Istanbul	f	15	59	Nice	f	14	57	Tokyo	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bordeaux	f	14	57	Jo'burg	s	17	63	Oslo	f	8	46	Toronto			
Boston				Jiddah	s	35	95	Ottawa				Tunis	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Brussels	c	9	48	Karachi	s	31	88	Paris	c	10	50	Valencia	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Budapest	f	13	55	Las Palmas	f	21	70	Peking	s	24	75	Vancouver			
Cairo	s	28	82	Lisbon	s	22	72	Prague	f	7	45	Venice	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cape Tn				Locarno	s	15	59	Reykjavik	c	-4	25	Vienna	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
C'blanca	s	21	70	L Angeles				Rhodes	c	17	63	Warsaw	c	8	46
Chicago				Luxembg	f	7	45	Riyadh	s	35	95	Washington			
Cologne	f	9	48	Madrid	s	18	64	Rio de Jan				Zurich	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

b, bright; bp, bright periods; c, cloud; d, drizzle; du, dull; f, fair; fl, fine; h, haze; hu, humid; m, mist; o, overcast; r, rain; s, sun; si, sunny intervals; sp, sunny periods; sh, showers; sl, sleet; sn, snow; th, thunder.

